

INDIANA BIKE TRAILS TASK FORCE

Final Report and Presentation of Findings

MEETING AGENDA

Kyle Hannon, Bike Trails Task Force Chairman

- ▶ Welcome
- ▶ Task Force Member Introductions
- ▶ Approval of the March 6 meeting minutes
- ▶ Chairman's Remarks
- ▶ Final Presentation of Findings
- ▶ Q & A



BIKE TRAILS TASK FORCE MEMBERS & DESIGNEEES

- ▶ **Mitch Barloga** - Northwest Indiana Regional Planning Commission
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- ▶ **Andrew Forrester** - City of Madison
- ▶ **Pete Fritz** (Designee of Dr. Kristina Box) - Indiana State Department of Health
- ▶ **Paul Grayson**, *Vice Chairman* - Indianapolis Zoo (Retired)
- ▶ **Vincent Griffin** - Retired from Indiana Chamber
- ▶ **Rep. Carey Hamilton** - Indiana House of Representatives District 87
- ▶ **Mayor SuzAnne Handshoe** - City of Kendallville
- ▶ **Kyle Hannon**, *Chairman* - Ivy Tech Community College*
- ▶ **Rebecca Holwerda** - Indiana Governor's Office
- ▶ **Bruce Kimball** - Carmel City Council
- ▶ **Kara Kish** - Vigo County Parks and Recreation
- ▶ **Amy Marisavljevic** (Designee of Cameron Clark) - Indiana DNR
- ▶ **Jay Mitchell** (Designee of Joe McGuinness) - INDOT
- ▶ **Noelle Szydlyk** (Designee of Misty Weisensteiner) - IOTD
- ▶ **Dean Peterson** - Marian University
- ▶ **Justin Schneider** - Indiana Farm Bureau
- ▶ **Jeffrey Smallwood** - Hendricks County Trail Development

APPROVAL OF 3/6 MEETING MINUTES & CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Kyle Hannon, Chairman

FINAL PRESENTATION AND BIKE TRAILS TASK FORCE FINDINGS

Kyle Hannon, Chairman



LEGISLATIVE MANDATE

- ▶ Develop Actionable Concepts to Connect Existing Bicycle Trails in Indiana
- ▶ Estimate the Cost of Each Concept
- ▶ Identify 6 Innovative Funding Sources to Create New Trails and/or Provide Connections to Existing Trails
- ▶ Prepare a timeline that shows the phases of completion to connect existing bicycle trails for each funding method
- ▶ Recommend Changes to Indiana Law to Improve Bicycle Safety on Trails and Roadways
- ▶ Develop Safety Program Recommendations

Develop Actionable Concepts to Connect Existing Bicycle Trails in Indiana

Task Force recommends that the Visionary Trail System developed and maintained by the Indiana DNR should be realigned and used to prioritize how funds are spent on trails.

- ▶ **Priority Visionary Trails**
 - ▶ Completed or well-planned and near completion.
- ▶ **Secondary Visionary Trails**
 - ▶ Have a lesser degree of planning and support, may become Priority trails in the future.
- ▶ **Proposed Visionary Trails**
 - ▶ Corridors that close gaps and connect major destinations. Stakeholders should be encouraged to work with the DNR to assist these trails to become Secondary and Primary Visionary Trails.

Estimated Cost of Each Concept

For expense projection purposes, INDOT and DNR agreed on a base cost estimate of **\$600,000** per mile of bicycle trail for design and construction.

Utilization of the **INDOT Trail Planning Cost Calculator** is recommended for those planning new trail construction.

Trail Planning Cost Calculator

- ▶ Each "variable" is linked to a multiplier that changes the relative cost of the trail based on the cost implications of that specific trail characteristic.
- ▶ Variables are cumulative, that is, each multiplier builds on the one before it.
- ▶ Construction costs will vary widely based on the ultimate project scope, actual site conditions and constraints, schedule, and economic conditions at the time of construction.
- ▶ The overall cost opinions are intended to be general and used only for planning purposes.

IDENTIFY 6 INNOVATIVE FUNDING SOURCES

- ▶ Tipping fee
- ▶ Public Private Partnership
- ▶ Waste Tire Fee
- ▶ Sporting Goods Sales Tax
- ▶ State Gas Tax
- ▶ General appropriation (in combination with public and/or private funding contributions)
- ▶ Real Estate Transfer Tax

RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO INDIANA LAW

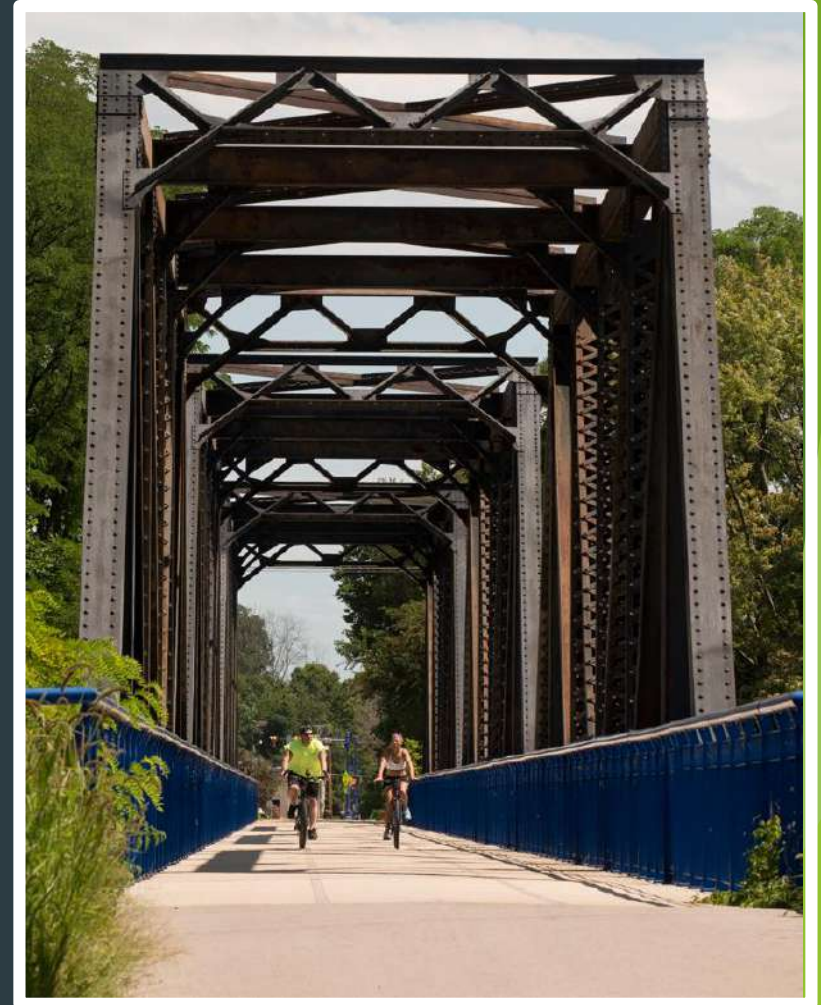
- ▶ Adopt a statewide safe passing law (3 ft) - ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - spring 2019
- ▶ Adopt a statewide complete streets policy
- ▶ Clarify e-bike laws in state statute - ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - spring 2019

SAFETY PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS

- ▶ Provide bicycle safety curriculum for elementary and middle school age children
- ▶ Provide regular tracking and updating of bicycle crash data statewide
- ▶ Provide consistent training of local police officers and law enforcement regarding bicycle safety

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

- Creating an Inspirational Brand
- Continuing the Effort



ANY QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU FOR COMING & FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF TRAIL DEVELOPMENT IN INDIANA

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summary will be available online at

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