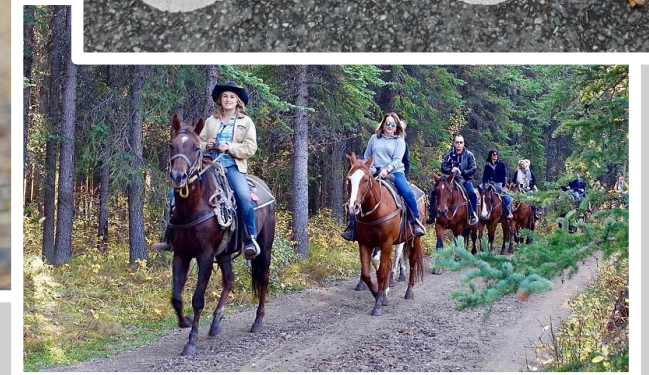
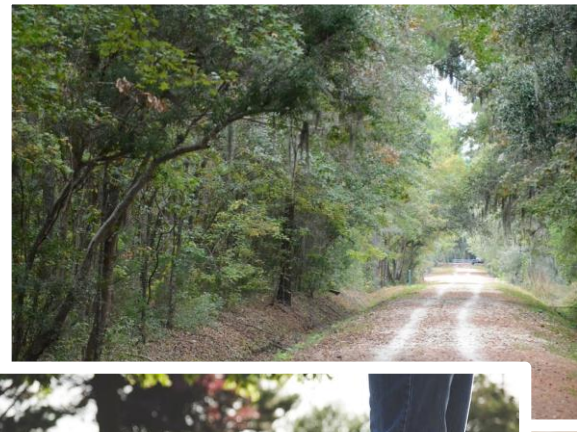


Blue Mountain Region Trails



regionwide non-motorized
trail and transportation network

Presentation Topics

Project Overview - What is going on?

Team - Who is doing this?

Goal and Purpose - Why do we plan?

Process and Timeline - How do we get this done?

Upcoming Workshops

Next Steps

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Region Trails =
Sidewalks



Project Overview - What is going on?

Local, state, and federal entities are jointly developing a regionwide Non-Motorized Trails and Transportation Plan

- Inventory trails and transportation infrastructure
- Determine additional connections and destinations
- Create a complete network plan that can be implemented as \$\$ become available

Blue Mountain Region Trails = Multiuse Trails



Team - Who is doing this?

Blue Mountain Region cities, counties, health departments, ports, and other regional governing agencies were awarded technical support through the **National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance** program

Cities of
College Place
Dayton
Milton-Freewater
Columbia River
Walla Walla
Prescott
Waitsburg
Walla Walla
Columbia
Cycle Oregon
Washington Trails Association
Department of ...
US Army Corps of Engineers
US Fish and Wildlife
US Forest Service
US National Park Service

Partnership for
Greater
Confederated Tribes of the
Umatilla Indian Reservation
Community of Walla Walla
Oregon and Washington State
Transportation Departments
Washington State Parks
Columbia
You - the public
Planning and Health
Department of ...
Columbia County
Umatilla County
Walla Walla County

Goal and Purpose - Why do this?

Comprehensive network of existing and planned sidewalks, bike routes, and trails

- *Connect communities*
- *Enhance outdoor recreation*
- *Increase walking and biking options and safe routes to schools and parks*
- *Promote a healthy and active lifestyle for everyone*
- *Improve quality of life and economic development*

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Safe Routes



Goal and Purpose (cont.)

- *Identify sidewalk, bike route, and trail recommendations that local jurisdictions can adopt into their own Comprehensive plan - transportation and recreation elements (updates are due June 2018)*

Adopted plan leverages public and private funding opportunities and state & federal grants

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Blue Mountain Region Trails = Bike Routes



Process and Timeline - How do we get this done?

6 Phases - 16 Months - Regional Plan by March 2018

- Data collection - COMPLETED
- Review of existing network and 1st round of public workshops
- Analyze technical and environmental feasibility of additional connections, develop conceptual, regionwide network, and 2nd round of public workshops
- Determine function and design for individual connections and 3rd round of public workshops
- Complete plan documentation
- Local jurisdictions adopt the plan recommendations

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Region Trails =
Recreational Trails



Upcoming Workshops

- 1/30/17 Dayton: Best Western 507 E. Main St.
- 1/31/17 Walla Walla: WW County Fairgrounds 363 Orchard St.
- 2/1/17 Milton-Freewater: Community Building 109 NE 5th St.
- 2/2/17 Burbank: Columbia MS Commons 755 Maple St.

Solicit feedback from workshop attendees...

Where are gaps? Where are additional destinations and where do we need connections?

- Non-motorized trails: hiking, biking, horseback riding
- Transportation: bike routes, sidewalks, safe routes to school and parks

Next Steps

The project team will -

- Gather input from all public workshops
- Analyze desired connections - determine technical and environmental feasibility - create conceptual network
- Host 2nd round of public workshops in early May

Stay up to date on project information and events - bluezonetrails.org

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Have more questions? Get in touch with the Project Steering Committee

- National Park Service - Dan Miller
- City of Milton-Freewater - Laurel Sweeney
- City of Waitsburg - Randy Hinchliffe
- City of Walla Walla - Elizabeth Chamberlain
- Umatilla County - Robert Waldher
- Walla Walla County - Tom Glover
- Port of Columbia - Brad McMasters
- Community Council - Mary Campbell
- Walla Walla Valley MPO/SRTPO - Andrea Weckmueller-Behringer