



Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail Master Plan

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MASTER PLAN REPORT

Boundaries and Acquisition Costs

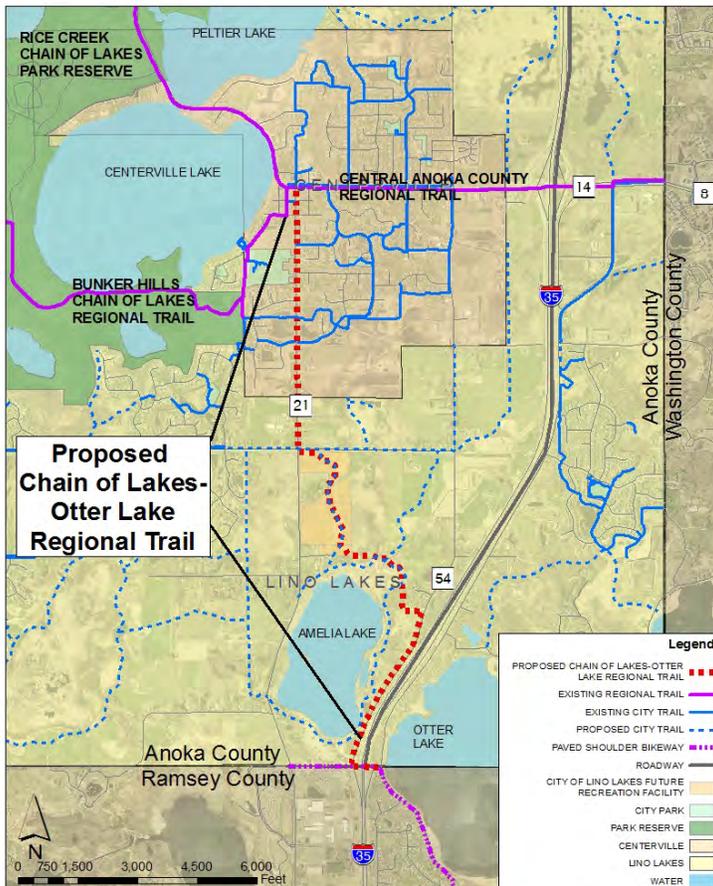
The proposed Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail corridor is approximately 3 miles long and connects Anoka County and the Cities of Centerville and Lino Lakes with Ramsey County. The trail is proposed to follow the east side of CSAH 21/Centerville Road north/south to CSAH 34/Birch Street. From there it is proposed to head southeast around Amelia Lake to County Road J, at which point the trail is proposed to head east and connect to a future Ramsey County regional trail along Otter Lake Road.

The trail provides a critical link between the counties of Anoka and Ramsey and the regional parks and trails system.

The Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail connects to the Central Anoka County and the Bunker-Chain of Lakes regional trails, as well as the Ramsey County bikeway system, Bald Eagle-Otter Lakes Regional Park and ultimately to Tamarack Nature Center. Refer to Figures 1 and 2 for location.



FIGURE 1



CHAIN OF LAKES-OTTER LAKE REGIONAL TRAIL CORRIDOR
Overall Trail Corridor

FIGURE 2



The northernmost portion of the trail, as shown in Figure 3, Exhibit A, provides an aerial view of the proposed trail route connecting to Central Anoka County Regional Trail at CSAH 14/Main Street. This trail segment provides a link between numerous city trails, parks and regional facilities in the area.

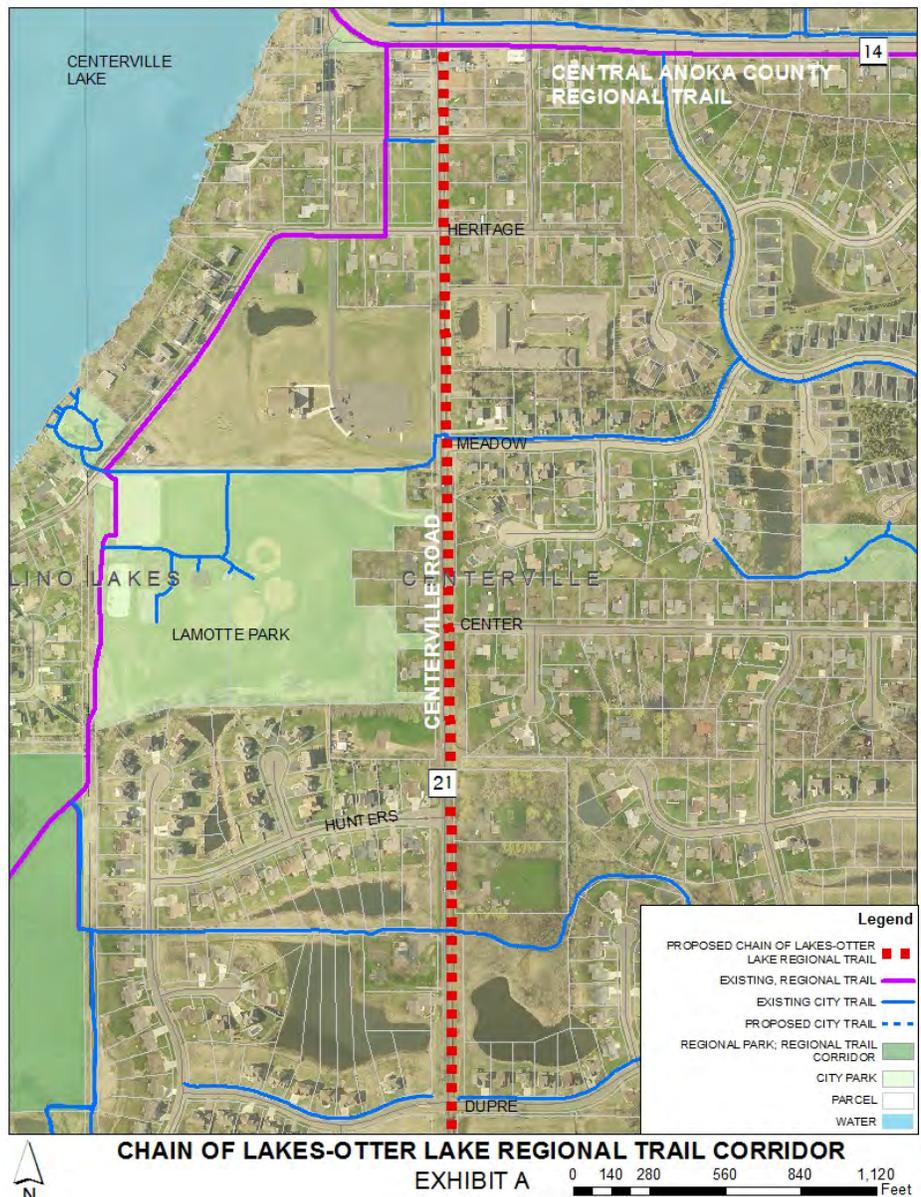


FIGURE 3



The central portion of the trail, as shown in Figure 4, Exhibit B, illustrates the proposed city trails the regional trail will connect to once constructed. The regional trail will also provide a valuable connection to a future recreation facility the City of Lino Lakes is proposing.



FIGURE 4



The southern portion of the trail, as shown in Figure 5, Exhibit C, again illustrates the proposed city trails the regional trail will connect with once it is constructed. The regional trail will also provide a future connection to the proposed Birch Lake Regional Trail via Otter Lake Road and ultimately to Bald Eagle-Otter Lake Regional Park and Tamarack Nature Center in Ramsey County, as shown in Figure 8.

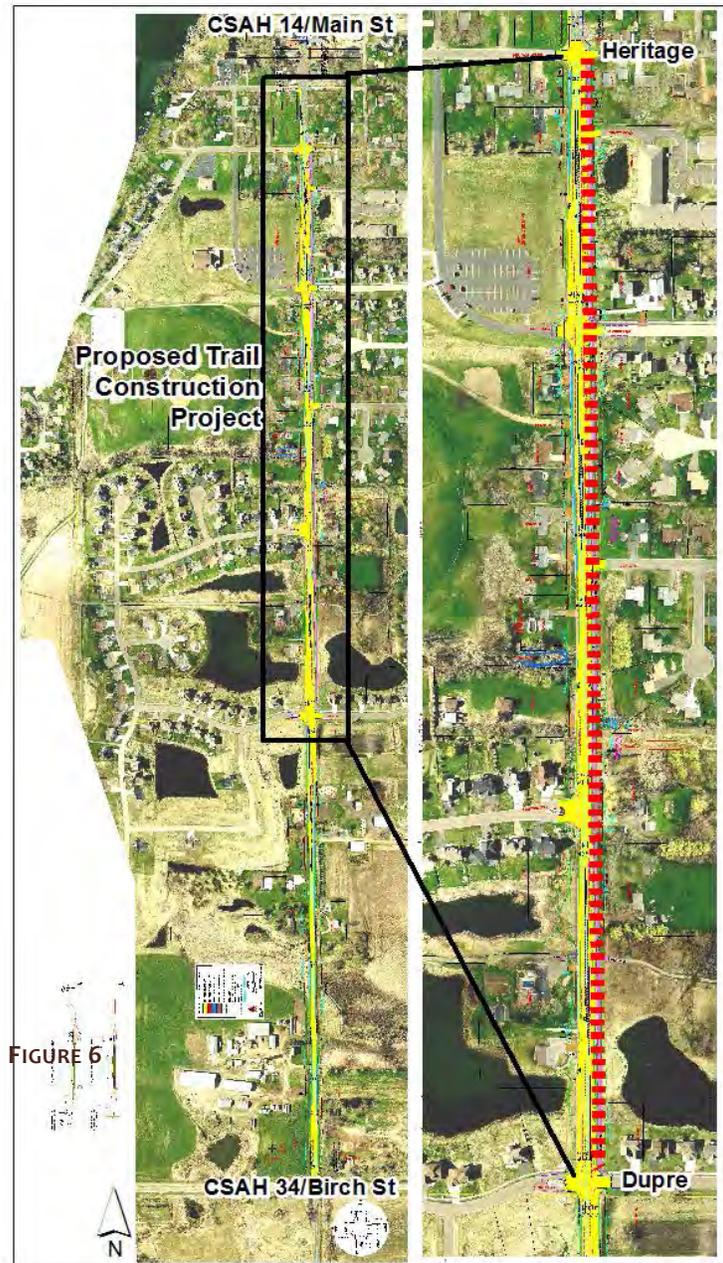


FIGURE 5

Anoka County will be building a portion of the Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail in 2015 as part of a road reconstruction project along the east side of CSAH 21 between Dupre and Heritage Streets in Centerville. The draft layout for the project is illustrated in Figure 6. Any additional right of way needed for this reconstruction project will be acquired as part of the road project and will not be considered for reimbursement through a future Metropolitan Council's Regional Parks Capital Improvement or Parks and Trails Legacy grant funding request.

The section of trail through the future Lino Lakes recreation facility will be built as a partnership between the County and the City of Lino Lakes through a Joint Powers Agreement.

Right of way acquisition for the proposed trail segment remaining is anticipated to affect 11 privately owned parcels between the City of Lino Lakes property and along CSAH 54/20th Avenue to County Road J. A list of potentially affected parcels is shown in Table 1. Right of



way acquisition is estimated to be \$120,000 at a minimum, based on the most recent assessed value and a 20 foot wide corridor to build the regional trail. Once this Master Plan is approved, the County will work closely with the cities to require future

development of these parcels to include dedicated right of way for the trail or to provide trail easements across the parcels to keep acquisition costs to a minimum. While it is not anticipated that right of way or easement acquisition will be an issue, if the small amounts of right of way or easements needed cannot be dedicated when development occurs or acquired, the County would then purchase the entire impacted parcel, designate the needed right of way and sell the remainder of the parcel at market value. Market rate appraisals have not been conducted to date, but will be conducted prior to any acquisition or funding request to the Metropolitan Council.

PIN	LOC	LOC_NAME	LOC	LOC_ADDR	LOC_CITY	LOC	LOC_ZIP	ACT_CITY	PARCEL ACREAGE	MAX. ROW REQUIRE	ASSESSED VALUE	COST PER ACRE	ASSESSED VALUE FOR ROW ONLY
263122310002	6520	CENTERVILLE	RD	6510 CENTERVILLE RD	HUGO	MN	55038	LINO LAKES	10.500	0.6271686	\$394,600	\$37,581	\$23,569.59
263122240003	1709	BIRCH	SI	1709 BIRCH SI	HUGO	MN	55038	LINO LAKES	8.600	0.2349764	\$204,600	\$23,791	\$5,590.25
263122240001					HUGO	MN	55038	LINO LAKES	19.550	0.5266359	\$138,400	\$7,079	\$3,728.20
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263122210001	6716	CENTERVILLE	RD	6716 CENTERVILLE RD	HUGO	MN	55038	CENTERVILLE	1.130	0.2484066	\$141,100	\$124,867	\$31,017.85
263122120005	6756	CENTERVILLE	RD	6756 CENTERVILLE RD	HUGO	MN	55038	CENTERVILLE	39.470	0.5525554	\$303,500	\$7,689	\$4,248.81
353122120001					HUGO	MN	55038	LINO LAKES	27.500	1.0766758	\$130,100	\$4,730.91	\$5,093.66
353122130004					HUGO	MN	55038	LINO LAKES	28.310	0.2456382	\$201,500	\$7,117.63	\$1,748.36
353122130004					HUGO	MN	55038	LINO LAKES	28.310	0.1192328	\$201,500	\$7,117.63	\$848.65
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353122340005					HUGO	MN	55038	LINO LAKES	23.370	0.4485277	\$166,900	\$7,141.63	\$3,203.22
353122420001					HUGO	MN	55038	LINO LAKES	17.070	0.1769541	\$173,800	\$10,181.61	\$1,801.68
353122340003					HUGO	MN	55038	LINO LAKES	3.020	0.0214114	\$20,500	\$6,788.08	\$145.34
TOTAL											\$2,601,400		\$119,236.95

TABLE 1

Demand Forecast

Regional parks and trails have been increasing in popularity, and as the population grows the need for additional recreation resources and amenities grow as well. The populations in the City of Centerville and Lino Lakes are anticipated to grow steadily, as is the overall population in Anoka County.

Population Forecast ¹

Year	Centerville	Lino Lakes	Anoka County
2010	3,792	20,216	330,844
2040	4,200	29,000	426,080

¹ Metropolitan Council, Thrive MSP 2040 Forecasts, Adopted May 28, 2014

According to the Metropolitan Council Regional Forecast to 2040, the metro regional area is anticipated to grow by 22% between 2010 and 2040. By 2040, seniors are expected to comprise of 20% of the population and people of color will comprise 40%. As the population increases, diversifies, and ages, demand for easily accessible outdoor recreation opportunities and open space increases.

The outdoor recreational use patterns in the metropolitan area have also been growing steadily. Recreational visits to Anoka County regional trails have continually increased and were just over 870,000 in 2012.²

In addition, according to the Outdoor Foundation:

Outdoor recreation reached the highest participation level in five years. Outdoor recreation added three million participants in 2011 — a significant improvement over the past few years when participation either dropped or remained stagnant.³

To increase access to parks and trails and increase education regarding health, wellness and outdoor recreation, Anoka has installed wayfinding maps throughout the park and trails system. Refer to Figure 7 for an example this project. This project was in cooperation with the Blue Cross Blue Shield “Do” campaign.



FIGURE 7

In addition, the County was able to create the Go Anoka County website (goanokacounty.org).

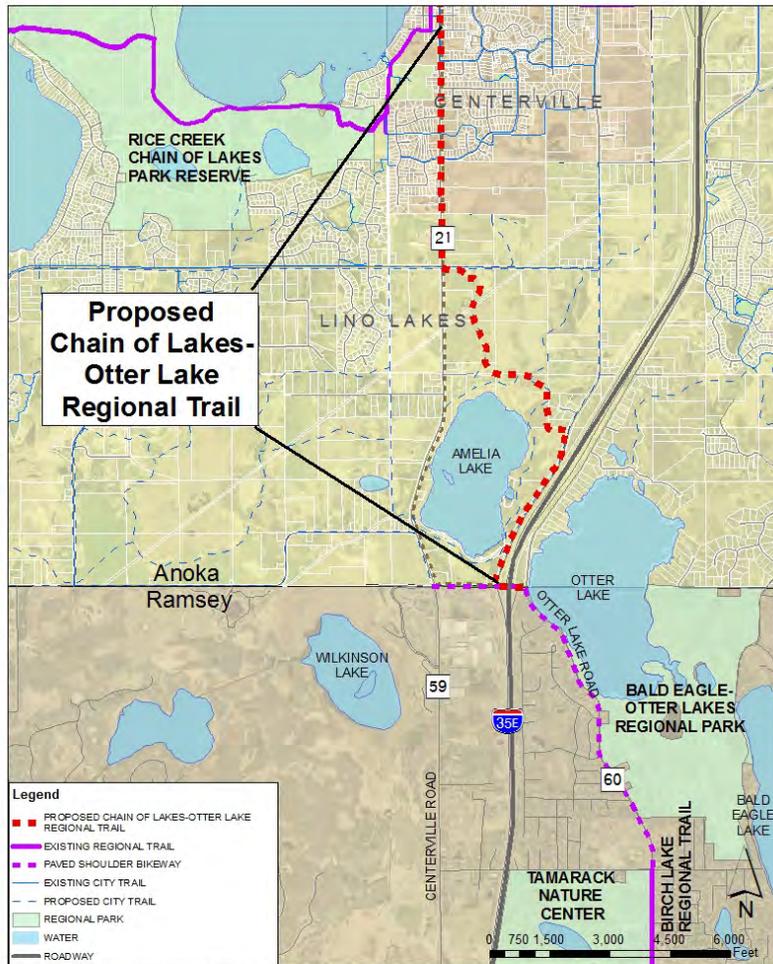


This site was created to provide information related to parks and recreation facilities and promote access to those facilities to make it easier to recreate outdoors.

² Annual Use Estimate of the Metropolitan Regional Parks System for 2012, Metropolitan Council

³ Outdoor Recreation Participation Report 2012”, Outdoor Foundation

Development Concept



CHAIN OF LAKES-OTTER LAKE REGIONAL TRAIL CORRIDOR
Ramsey County Connection

FIGURE 9

The proposed development concept for this trail corridor is to provide an 8 to 10 foot wide paved trail linking regional destinations in Anoka County and the metropolitan area. These destinations include downtown Centerville, Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve, a future City of Lino Lakes recreation facility and Ramsey County’s Bald Eagle-Otter Lakes Regional Park, as well as Tamarack Nature Center, via an existing paved shoulder bikeway on Otter Lake Road, as illustrated in Figure 8.

The trail corridor follows CSAH 21/Centerville Road and County Road J. The development concept for this trail is an 8- 10 foot wide grade separated paved trail, similar to

Figure 9, which illustrates what a typical section of the trail may look like. Figure 10 illustrates what the completed project could look like.

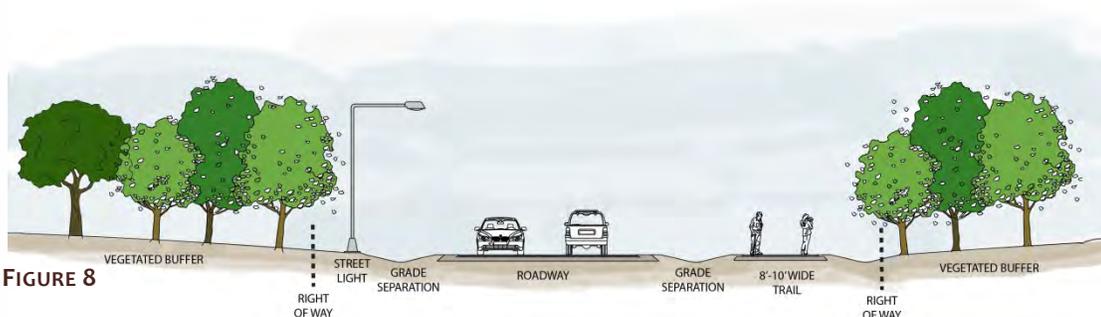


FIGURE 8



FIGURE 10

To safely cross I-35E, this master plan proposes that the trail be included in the project when a full interchange is constructed at I-35E and County Road J. If the trail cannot be included during the interchange construction or demand dictates, Anoka County is proposing a separate pedestrian bridge be constructed in conjunction with Ramsey County to allow safe passage and connection to Ramsey County. An example of a pedestrian bridge is shown in Figure 11. The trail would terminate at County Road J and Otter Lake Road, where it would cross County Road J and connect to the Ramsey County Bikeway System via a paved shoulder bikeway on Otter Lake Road.

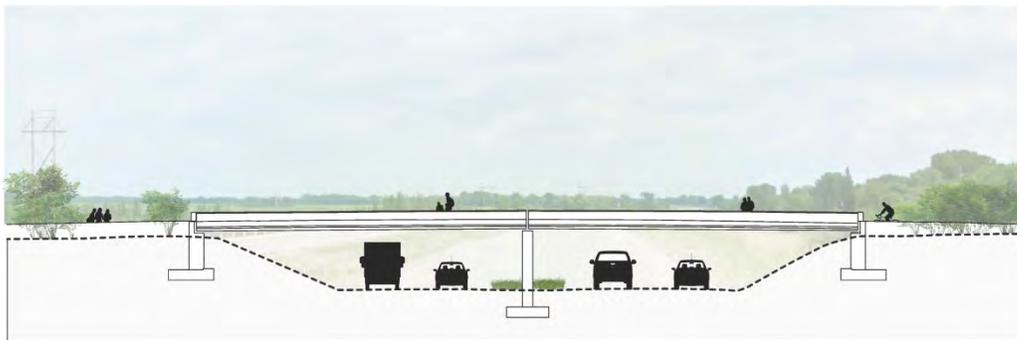


FIGURE 11

Water quality treatment and storm water management for the proposed trail is proposed to follow the requirements of the MN Department of Natural Resources, Army Corps of Engineers, Rice Creek Watershed District and other permitting and regulatory agency requirements at the time of construction. For example, water quality treatment can be achieved through a minimum of a five foot wide vegetated filter strip or vegetated open space located down-gradient of the trail according to the Rice Creek Watershed District. Storm water management for the Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail will vary depending on location. The section of trail to be constructed in the near future, from Heritage Street to Dupre Street, is being incorporated into the existing CSAH 21 roadway project and thus the design of water quality treatment and storm water management facilities have been incorporated into that project as well.

The storm water management plans for that project will utilize and expand existing systems within the project area. Currently, the system consists of vegetated swales, ditches and ponds. Those existing facilities will be expanded to accommodate the water quality treatment volume and store run-off for the roadway and trail project.

Storm water management related to the remaining trail corridor will be designed to meet all regulatory agency requirements at the time of construction.

The ownership and maintenance of the storm water management facilities will be the responsibility of Anoka County.

Trailhead signs, as illustrated in Figure 12, are proposed at a few of the major intersections along the trail. The County will work closely with the City of Lino Lakes to incorporate a trailhead at their proposed future recreation facility, which is approximately mid-point along the trail. Way-finding directional signs will be posted along the trail as well. No other development will be associated with this trail project.



FIGURE 12

Prior to the trails development a Natural Heritage Information System review will be conducted to determine if any rare species or rare natural resources features are located within the trail alignment and a wetland delineation will be performed to reduce and/or mitigate impacts to the wetlands. Since this trail alignment is proposed to traverse open green space areas, wildlife friendly erosion control materials and native seeding will be incorporated into the trail design.

The cost estimate for completion of this trail is \$3,504,600. The cost breakdown is shown in Table 2. There may be some cost savings on this estimate, if this trail can be constructed as part of a future County roadway reconstruction project or if trail corridors can be dedicated as part of future development.

The schedule for construction of this trail will depend on right of way acquisition, roadway reconstruction, future development along the trail corridor and funding availability; therefore, no schedule for trail development has been determined. The Parks and Recreation Department will continue to work with local cities and the Anoka County Highway Department to implement this trail as development and redevelopment occurs and as demand dictates.

TABLE 2

Proposed Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail Development Cost Estimate	
Description	Total
Right of Way/Easement Acquisition	\$120,000
Design/Engineering/Project Management	\$300,000
Archaeological Survey	\$50,000
Wetland Delineation	\$50,000
Wetland Mitigation	\$9,200
Topographic Survey/Construction Staking	\$100,000
Geotechnical Survey	\$50,000
Clearing and grubbing	\$100,000
Utility relocations, if required	\$75,000

Bituminous trail construction (\$40/LF)	\$691,800
Boardwalk	\$125,000
Pedestrian Bridge/135E crossing	\$1,200,000
Trailhead Facility Development	\$100,000
Lighting	\$75,000
Landscaping and restoration	\$75,000
Signage and striping	\$40,000
Site Furnishings	\$25,000
Sub-Total	\$3,186,000
Contingency (10%)	\$318,600
Total	\$3,504,600

Conflicts

Conflicts related to trail redevelopment will be kept to a minimum through proper planning and community involvement. With any new development or redevelopment in existing residential areas, there are common concerns among the area residents that are adjacent to the trail.

One of these concerns is the effect the increased usage of the trail will have on their safety, security and privacy. Generally, regional trails in the metropolitan area do not have a high number of criminal activities related to use. A typical concern is vandalism and damage to vehicles. The County provides Park Ranger patrols and works with the local police and the Anoka County Sheriff's Office to ensure the regional trails are safe and secure.

Privacy is also a concern and Anoka County typically works with affected residents to minimize the perceived impacts. Because the majority of the trail is adjacent to county roads, development of this trail will most likely occur when the roadways are upgraded and resident concerns regarding the trail can be addressed with any concerns regarding the roadway construction. Anoka County does not anticipate there to be conflicts with the area residents. If issues do arise, a variety of methods for mitigation techniques can be utilized, with the best methods being determined by Anoka County.

Conflicts between pedestrians and vehicular traffic will be kept to a minimum by working with the County Highway Department and the local cities to ensure safe crossings at road intersections and driveways for pedestrians and bicyclists. The proposed pedestrian bridge across Interstate 35E will ensure safe crossing over the busy interstate. In addition, signing along the trail will alert users of potential conflict areas, i.e. street crossings, driveway crossings, pedestrian cross-traffic, etc., and will provide way-finding and interpretive information.

Public Services

There are no new non-recreational related public services that will be required for the completion of this trail. Both local and regional parks in the north segment of the trail and the local and regional parks in Ramsey County will provide the necessary facilities required for trail users, e.g. parking lot, drinking fountain and benches. Limited services will also be available at retail establishments near downtown Centerville.

Operations

The Anoka County Park Ordinance, dated January 24th, 2012 regulates parks and trails under the jurisdiction of Anoka County. Education and enforcement is provided through the Anoka County Park Rangers, the local police departments and the Anoka County Sheriff's Department.

Anoka County typically partners with the local cities through either a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) to provide for the maintenance of regional trails. Typically, the MOU or JPA is executed prior to trail construction and outlines what agency is responsible for general routine maintenance of the trail and what agency is responsible for capital improvements to the trail in their jurisdiction.

The County is typically responsible for the daily and general routine maintenance of trails within regional or county parks. This includes mowing, sweeping, plowing, clearing, debris removal, etc. Outside of regional and county park facilities, the local cities are responsible for daily trail maintenance. Solid waste is typically collected from trash receptacles located along the trail at regular intervals by the local agencies. Anoka County will inspect the trail annually and will provide the capital improvements that are needed and will provide the long-term maintenance required, such as bituminous overlays, crack-sealing, etc. Trail signage is provided and maintained by the County.

Annual maintenance costs for the Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail are estimated to be about \$10,000. This includes dollars for sign replacements, minor bituminous repair

and crack-sealing. Revenue for the operation and maintenance of the trail comes from the Anoka County Parks and Recreation Department's annual operations and maintenance budget, which includes revenues from picnic shelter rentals, room rentals, programs, parks entrance fees and the County general fund. Supplementary funding is provided through the Regional Park Operations and Maintenance Grant Program.

Citizen Participation

Anoka County worked with regulatory agencies and local units of government in the master planning process of this trail. In addition, two open houses were held to receive public comment on the proposed plan. One on March 25, 2014 and one on June 24, 2014. Notices advertising the open houses were published in the local weekly newspaper and on the Anoka County website. Post card invitations were mailed out to adjacent residents and local city and county officials as well.

Comments received from the public and the local and regulatory agencies have been incorporated into this master plan.

Refer to Appendix for the public notices, letters requesting comments, comments received from the public and from the municipal and regulatory agencies that responded.

Public Awareness

Public awareness is an important component to regional park and trail systems. The County will provide public education efforts through the Metropolitan Council's regional-wide awareness program, as well as, public information maps, websites (www.anokacountyparks.com) & www.anokacounty.us), social media, publications and brochures provided by Anoka County Parks and Recreation Department.

Accessibility

Anoka County continually strives to provide equal access to all residents of Anoka County and the region. Park and trail use is open to any and all citizens. While there is a nominal parking fee in some of the regional parks, there is not a fee for trail use. This eliminates any economic barriers for trail users.

A portion of the trail corridor is located along the 275 and 285 transit routes, with one park



FIGURE 13

and ride lot along the trail corridor. See Figure 13 for map of transit access.

In addition, the Anoka County Traveler Transit Link and Metro Transit's Mobility Link provide transportation services for a minimal fee. This service offers rides to specific locations and is available to those in need.

The facilities and amenities along the trail will conform to the standards mandated by the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Joint Powers Agreements

Since regional trails cross multiple jurisdictions, a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) or Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is generally executed prior to construction of the trail. The JPA or MOU addresses who has control over the trail right-of-way, how that control is exercised, who will operate and maintain the trail and how operations and maintenance will be accomplished. The JPA outlines that the trail is to be open and available to all users (not restricted by residence) with only controls on the type of use and timing/season of the permitted use(s). JPA's are in place for the duration of the trail's life cycle.

Appendix - Citizen Participation

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Anoka County, Minnesota

DATE: August 12, 2014

RESOLUTION #2014-94

OFFERED BY COMMISSIONER: Sivarajah

**RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPROVAL AND
ADOPTION OF THE CHAIN OF LAKES-OTTER LAKE
REGIONAL TRAIL MASTER PLAN**

WHEREAS, it is necessary and in the public interest for Anoka County to provide open space recreational facilities within the county; and,

WHEREAS, Anoka County has, through studies and evaluations, developed a park and trail development program that has been approved by the Metropolitan Council; and,

WHEREAS, Anoka County and the Metropolitan Council have designated a regional trail corridor through the cities of Centerville and Lino Lakes; and,

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council requires a master plan for this regional trail corridor; and,

WHEREAS, Anoka County has worked with the local jurisdictions in a cooperative effort to locate and develop a regional trail corridor route through these cities; and,

WHEREAS, the local city representatives have reviewed and commented on the plan and provided their own resolutions of support:

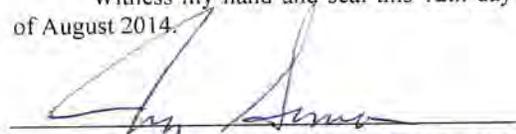
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Anoka County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail Master Plan, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Anoka County administrator, and authorizes its submission to the Metropolitan Council for its approval so that the trail facilities will be eligible for future Metropolitan Council grant funding.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Metropolitan Council, Anoka County Parks and Recreation Department, and the local jurisdictions.

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF ANOKA) ss

I, Jerry Soma, County Administrator, Anoka County, Minnesota, hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the resolution of the county board of said county with the original record thereof on file in the Administration Office, Anoka County, Minnesota, as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said board at a meeting duly held on August 12, 2014, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original record and of the whole thereof, and that said resolution was duly passed by said board at said meeting.

Witness my hand and seal this 12th day of August 2014.


JERRY SOMA
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
DISTRICT #1 – LOOK	X	
DISTRICT #2 – BRAASTAD	X	
DISTRICT #3 – WEST	X	
DISTRICT #4 – KORDIAK	X	
DISTRICT #5 – LEDOUX	X	
DISTRICT #6 – SIVARAJAH	X	
DISTRICT #7 – SCHULTE	X	

Res. #14-022

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
CHAIN OF LAKES-OTTER LAKE REGIONAL TRAIL**

WHEREAS, Anoka County is pursuing the development of a multi-purpose regional trail system that would link local and state trail systems, regional parks, and provide safe and convenient routes for non-motorized traffic to traverse the County, and

WHEREAS, in 1996, the Metropolitan Council adopted a Regional Trails Policy Amendment to its Regional Recreation Open Space Development Guidelines/Policy Plan for the implementation of corridors which provide access to high quality natural resources, regional parks, park reserves, and local areas of interest, and

WHEREAS, the alignment of the Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail Corridor would link together the cities of Lino Lakes and Centerville, and

WHEREAS, the Regional Trail Corridor is strategically located to provide pedestrian access to the recreational resources along its route.

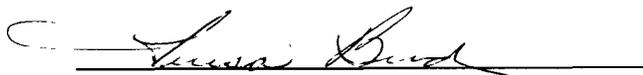
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of Centerville hereby offers its support to Anoka County in the effort to cooperatively develop the Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail Corridor.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Centerville this 25th day of June, 2014.



Mayor, Thomas Wilharber

Attest:



City Clerk, Teresa Bender

**CITY OF LINO LAKES
RESOLUTION NO. 14-79**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
CHAIN OF LAKES-OTTER LAKE REGIONAL TRAIL**

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WHEREAS, the Regional Trail Corridor is strategically located to provide pedestrian access to the recreational resources along its route.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of Lino Lakes hereby offers its support to Anoka County in the effort to cooperatively develop the Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail Corridor.

Adopted by the Lino Lakes City Council this 28th day of July, 2014.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was introduced by Council Member Roeser and was duly seconded by Council Member Kusterman and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

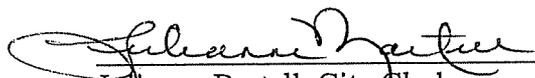
Roeser, Kusterman, Rafferty, Stoesz, Reinert

The following voted against same:

none


Jeff Reinert, Mayor

ATTEST:

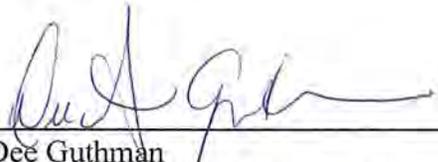

Julianne Bartell, City Clerk

Public Open House Notice

Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan

The County of Anoka will hold a public open house on March 25, 2014 from 4:30pm to 6:30pm at Centerville City Hall, 1880 Main Street, Centerville, MN 55038 to receive public comments on the master plan for Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail. The proposed trail is a 3 mile trail that follows Centerville Road from Heritage Street to County Road J in the Cities of Centerville and Lino Lakes, MN.

Anyone interested in learning more about the trail or wanting to offer comments is invited to attend the meeting. Copies of the master plan can be obtained by contacting the project manager or visiting www.anokacountyparks.com. Written comments for the master plan may be submitted to the project manager. Those who have questions or comments, but are unable to attend the meeting, may contact the Project Manager: Karen Blaska, Park Planner, Anoka County Parks and Recreation Department, 550 Bunker Lake Blvd. NW, Andover, MN 55304 or via telephone at 763-767-2865 or e-mail at karen.blaska@co.anoka.mn.us.



Dee Guthman
Associate County Administrator

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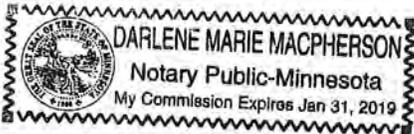
and has full knowledge of the facts stated below:

- (A) The newspaper has complied with all of the requirements constituting qualification as a qualified newspaper as provided by Minn. Stat. §331A.02, §331A.07, and other applicable laws as amended.
- (B) This Public Notice was printed and published in said newspaper(s) for 1 successive issues; the first insertion being on 03/14/2014 and the last insertion being on 03/14/2014.

By: Charlene Vold
Authorized Agent

Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed before me on 03/14/2014.

Darlene M MacPherson
Notary Public



**ANOKA COUNTY
PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE
NOTICE CHAIN OF LAKES
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TRAIL MASTER PLAN**

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/s/ Dee Guthman
Associate County Administrator
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RICE CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO

CONSOLIDATE ANOKA COUNTY DITCH #2

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Wednesday, March 26, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the Shoreview City Council Chambers, 4600 North Victoria Street, (Shoreview, Minnesota), the Rice Creek Watershed District (RCWD) Board of Managers will receive public comment pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Chapters 103D and 103E on proceedings related to the consolidation, division and abandonment of portions of Anoka County Ditch 72. The engineer's historical review memo can be reviewed at www.ricecreek.org or at the District office, 4325 Pleasant Ridge Dr., #611, Blaine, MN 55449, 763-398-3070

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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12 CENTENNIAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

CALL FOR BIDS

Independent School District #12, Centennial Public Schools will receive sealed bids in duplicate for Bid:

2014 Building Improvements – Mechanical Equipment Bid Package until 10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 25, 2014.

Bids will be received by the Manager of Buildings and Grounds Operations – Bob Cierzan at the District #12 District Offices, 4707 North Road, Circle Pines, MN 55014 then publicly opened and read aloud. There is no agent for the receipt of bids other than the Manager of Buildings and Grounds Operations – Bob Cierzan. It is the equipment supplier's responsibility that these bids are provided directly to Bob Cierzan.

Bids shall be submitted on bid form provided by the Bid Documents. The completed bid form shall be submitted without alterations, additions or erasures. Envelopes containing bids must be sealed marked separately "2014 Building Improvements – Centennial Schools: Mechanical Equipment Bid" with the name and address of the bidder, and the date and hour of the opening. Bids shall be delivered to:

Mr. Bob Cierzan
Manager of Buildings and Grounds Operations
Independent School District #12
District Office
4707 North Road
Circle Pines, MN 55014

Lump sum bids for this work are solicited from equipment suppliers specializing in, and highly experienced in this work.

Procurement of documents:

Nexus Solutions
11188 Zealand Ave. N.
Champlin, MN 55316
Phone: 763-201-8400

Bidding documents will be available on or about March 10, 2014.

Each bid of \$10,000 or greater shall be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check, or a bid bond in the amount of at least five (5%) percent of the amount of the bid made payable to ISD #12 as bid security that, if the bid is accepted, the contractor will execute the contract and file the required performance and payment bonds within the allotted time period after notice of award of contract.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or parts of bids and waive any formalities or irregularities in the bidding. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of forty-five (45) days after bid opening without consent of the Board of Education.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12

Centennial School District, Circle Pines, Minnesota

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2781 Freeway Blvd.
Brooklyn Center, MN 55430
Phone: 763-501-3401
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Each bid of \$10,000 or greater shall be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check, or a bid bond in the amount of at least five (5%) percent of the amount of the bid made payable to ISD #12 as bid security that, if the bid is accepted, the contractor will execute the contract and file the required performance and payment bonds within the allotted time period after notice of award of contract.

A pre-bid conference will be held at 8:00 am on Tuesday March 25th starting at Centennial High School, 4757 North Road Circle Pines, MN 55014. Bidding documents will be available on or about March 17, 2014.

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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12

Centennial School District, Circle Pines, Minnesota

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CITY OF LEXINGTON COUNTY OF ANOKA STATE OF MINNESOTA

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given, the Lexington Planning Commission will be conducting a Public Hearing on April 9, 2014, at 7:00 P.M. in the Lexington City Council Chambers, 9180 Lexington Avenue, Lexington, MN 55014. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be an annual meeting to receive public opinion on the adequacy and effectiveness of the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP).

A copy of the plan is available for inspection in the City Administrator's Office, 9180 Lexington Avenue, Lexington, Minnesota 55014. Anyone wishing to make a comment or if you have a question on the SWPPP you are invited to attend the Public Hearing. If you are unable to attend, written comments or questions are welcome and will be accepted until 4:30 P.M., April 9, 2014.

In accordance with the Americans With Disability Act, a hearing impaired individual, wishing to attend the Public Hearing, may request a sign language translator by contacting City Hall (763) 784-2792 within one week prior to the hearing.

Bill Petracek, City Administrator

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CITY OF LINO LAKES COUNTY OF ANOKA

ORDINANCE NO. 01-14

ORDINANCE TO REZONE PROPERTY FROM R, RURAL AND R-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO PUD-PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT FOR SADDLE CLUB

"The City Council of Lino Lakes ordains":

Section 1. The City of Lino Lakes makes the following Findings of Fact:

1. The City received a Land Use Application to rezone certain property from R, Rural and R-1, Single Family Residential to PUD-Planned Unit Development.

2. The Planning and Zoning Board held a public hearing on November 13, 2013.

3. The proposed action has been considered in relation to the specific policies and provisions of and has been found to be consistent with the official City Comprehensive Plan.

4. The proposed use is or will be compatible with present and future land uses of the area.

5. The proposed use conforms with all performance standards contained herein.

6. The proposed use can be accommodated with existing public services and will not overburden the City's service capacity.

7. Traffic generation by the proposed use is within capabilities of streets serving the property.

8. The rezoning meets the purpose and intent of the PUD-Planned Unit Development by preserving and enhancing the desirable site characteristics such as existing vegetation, natural topography and geologic features and by promoting an efficient use of land resulting in smaller networks of utilities and streets.

Section 2. The Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lino Lakes is hereby amended to rezone the following described property from R, Rural and R-1, Single Family Residential to PUD-Planned Unit Development:

The Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 31, Range 22, Anoka County, Minnesota, together with an easement for roadway purposes over the Northernly 60 feet of the Easterly 60 feet of the East 330 feet of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 31, Range 22 as contained in Document No. 144111.

Section 3. The development shall conform to the plans, requirements, and conditions of approval as listed in Resolution 14-15 and associated information.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its passage and publication according to the Lino Lakes City Charter.

Passed by the Lino Lakes City Council this 24th day of February, 2014.
Jeff Reinert, Mayor.

ATTEST: Julianne Battell, City Clerk.

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ANOKA COUNTY, MINNESOTA PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE NOTICE

CHAIN OF LAKES-BALD EAGLE REGIONAL TRAIL MASTER PLAN

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/s/ Dee Gulthman, Associate County Administrator

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PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL OPEN HOUSE

CHAIN OF LAKES-BALD EAGLE REGIONAL TRAIL MASTER PLAN

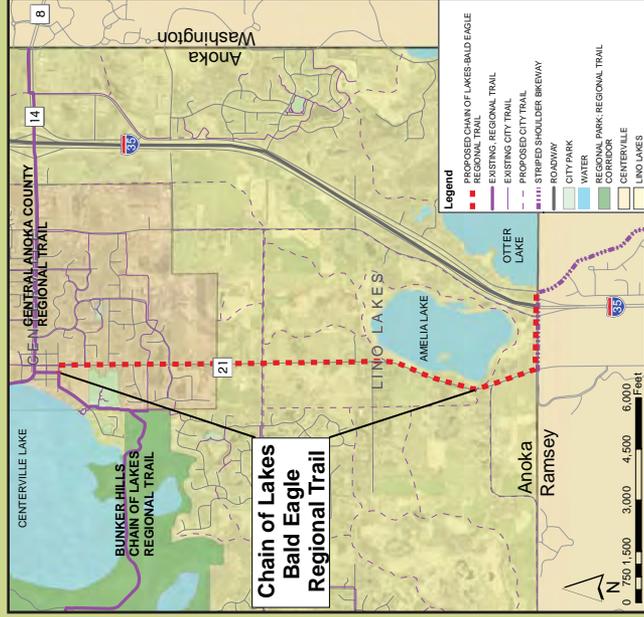
Anoka County Parks & Recreation Department
 550 Bunker Lake Blvd NW
 Andover, MN 55304
 763-757-3920

Tuesday, March 25, 2014 4:30 PM-6:30 PM

An open house will be held Tuesday, March 25th from 4:30pm to 6:30pm at the City of Centerville's City Hall to collect public input on the Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan.

The trail follows CSAH 21/Centerville Road north-south from CSAH 14/Main Street to County Road J.

Representatives from Anoka County will be in attendance. If you have questions prior to the meeting, please contact Karen Blaska at 763-767-2865 or karen.blaska@co.anoka.mn.us.



PUBLIC COMMENTS NOTED VIA TELEPHONE

COMMENT 1:

Request that the trail be rerouted around his property, so the 10 acres can remain as farm. If the parcel is under 10 acres, the "farm" status will go away.

RESPONSE 1:

According to information obtained from the City of Lino Lakes e-mail dated 03/17/14: The property is zoned R, Rural. Section 5, Subd. 1 of the Zoning Ordinance establishes the requirements for properties within this zone. Agriculture is a permitted use and the acquisition of property for the trail will not change that, according to the City of Lino Lakes. Unless the parcel is rezoned, agriculture will still be a permitted use on the property regardless of size. A smaller lot size may change the allowance for the number and size of accessory building (Section 3, Subd.3 of Zoning Ordinance). It may also change the allowable outside storage requirements. However, any legally permitted use or building existing prior to a decrease in the lot size could continue.

COMMENT 2:

Can trail be built within existing 33' right of way.

RESPONSE 2:

The County will explore the possibility.

COMMENT 3:

It was suggested that the County utilize the St. Paul Water Utility right of way west of Centerville Road, instead of along the road.

RESPONSE 3:

This alternate was reviewed and the County as chosen a more appropriate route.

COMMENT 4:

Homeowner along the trail called with questions regarding the trail.

RESPONSE 4:

I confirmed that the trail will be installed from Dupre north and the remaining trail will be constructed when the road is reconstructed and expanded.

PUBLIC COMMENTS NOTED VIA E-MAIL

From: Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2014 2:48 PM
To: Jeff Perry
Subject: Fwd: Chain Of Lakes - Bald Eagle Trail

Jeff, The following is the note that I sent to Rhonda Sivarajah. I sincerely hope that my note is positive feedback leading to a better plan, and is not just another bump in the road.

The idea of linking Anoka and Ramsey County trails is a great idea. This new trail would make a very pleasant and easy ride between Lino Lakes and White Bear.

If I can do anything to help - Please send me a note or call

Begin forwarded message:

From:Subject: Chain Of Lakes - Bald Eagle Trail
Date: March 1, 2014 3:23:38 PM EST
To: Rhonda.Sivarajah@co.anoka.mn.us

Rhonda,

I have read the proposed Anoka County Parks plan for the new Chain of Lakes - Bald Eagle Trail and have comments. I serve on the Centerville Parks and Recreation Committee. There will be public hearing on this plan in Centerville March 25. However, I will not be able to make that meeting. I have sent a copy of my comments to Dallas Larson, City Administrator. I also wanted to send the same ideas directly to yourself.

- 1) First and most importantly - This is a great idea and links together the park and trail systems of Anoka and Ramsey counties. Please support this project.
- 2) Where was this proposed plan when the County and the City of Centerville were wrestling with the plans to resurface Centerville Road? Knowledge of this plan may have greatly reduced opposition by some of the residents to the County's concept for rebuilding Centerville Road. With this plan, the extension of a trail pass Dupre to Birch St. makes sense. Without considering this plan, that extension was not logical and ended up out of the Centerville Road reconstruction plans.
- 3) I strongly recommend supporting this plan. With or without the changes suggested in the next paragraphs. It makes good sense to link the Anoka and Ramsey County trail systems. The proposed trail will:
 - a) Provide a safe and easy bicycle link between Anoka County's Wargo nature center and Ramsey County's Tamarac nature center.
 - b) Provide a bicycle and pedestrian link between Centerville, Lino Lakes and White Bear.
 - c) And for the very ambitious cyclist - link Anoka to St. Paul
 1. HOWEVER - There are two alternate routes that should be considered.

First Alternate Route

The Anoka County plan acknowledges and shows Lino Lakes intention to build the Birch Park complex on the southeast corner of Birch St. and Centerville Road. Lino Lakes owns the land but does not have the funding to build Birch Park. My first suggestion is that the new county trail should go through the proposed Lino Lakes Birch park following the route proposed by the Lino Lakes planners. There are five advantages:

1. Save the City of Lino Lakes the cost of developing that section of trail. Whether it is County money or City money, it is all tax payers money.
2. The County's new trail would give the City of Lino Lakes a boost in getting Birch Park started. I believe, Lino Lakes' intention is to build Birch Park incrementally. This would be a great first increment.
3. The eastern edge of Anoka County (Centerville and Lino Lakes) needs additional fields for sports like soccer, youth football and la cross. This is a current need that will only grow as the communities grow. Opening up Birch park with a trail and trail head would quickly lead to the development of those fields.
4. This alternative route would save Anoka County as much as \$200,000 as the county would not have to acquire the right way for the new trail. The right of way is already publicly owned by the City of Lino Lakes.
5. The alternative trail location would go through open park land and around Lake Amelia; rather than along the side of the very busy Centerville Road. This would be a much more pleasant ride or walk.

A. Second Alternate Route

Another logical route for the Chain of Lakes - Bald Eagle Trail is to follow the St Paul Waterworks line south from Centerville to Ash Street. This segment of the trail could tie into the existing Chain of Lakes trail south of Centerville's LaMotte Park. This route would require the cooperation of the St Paul Water Department. However, they may find it an advantage to provide Anoka County a trail easement. The County would then be responsible for maintaining the right of way. The water departments access to that segment via the new trail would be easier than it current is.

The advantages are similar to the first alternative route:

1. There should be significant cost savings to Anoka County. The County's current plan estimates the cost of buying the required property at over \$200,000. The St Paul Water Department should be expected to grant a trail easement for little or no cost.
2. This second alternate route is a straight line from the existing county trail around Centerville lake to Ash Street. Additional savings should be realized by building a shorter route on an already prepared bed.
3. As with the first alternate route, this course would be a much more pleasant ride or walk than along Centerville Road.

On the next page is an illustration used in the Anoka County plan. I have overlaid my two alternative routes on their illustration.

Please see the illustration below.

Thank You for reading this long note.

RESPONSE:

This trail corridor has been identified in the County Parks and Recreation Department's 1998 20/20 Vision Plan and the 2007 Comprehensive System Plan. The County has considered both options and has chosen the route most appropriate.

OPEN HOUSE VERBAL COMMENTS RECEIVED:

COMMENT 1:

Citizen was concerned about his "farm" status and that that designation comes from the Met Council. If any more ROW is taken from his parcel, he will lose his "farm" designation.

RESPONSE 1:

We discussed routing the trail through the City owned property surrounding his parcel, which was acceptable to him. He suggested to check with the Fire Department as they may be building a fire station on that land.

COMMENT 2: There was a question concerning whether assessments for the road and trail projects would be incurred.

RESPONSE 2:

There will be no assessment for the construction of the trail.

COMMENT 3:

There was a suggestion to route the trail down 20th/CSAH 54 instead of Centerville Road or Centerville Road to Moliter to 20th to avoid Amelia Lake.

RESPONSE 3:

The County will consider this option.

COMMENT 4:

Be sure to include wetland mitigation costs in the cost development estimate.

RESPONSE 4:

Wetland mitigation costs are included in the development cost estimate.

COMMENT 5:

There was a question regarding liability to homeowners whose driveways cross the trail.

RESPONSE 5:

According to the Risk Management Department, if they are concerned about going in and out of their driveway and either hit someone or someone hits them it would be an auto insurance claim. In the State of MN, each parties insurance would respond first to any injuries and once that is exhausted, it would then go to the other parties insurance. Using your example, if the home owner backed out and ran into a patron, the patron's policy would respond to the patron's injuries first if they have auto insurance. If they do not or the policy is exhausted for medical then the home-owners auto policy would respond secondly. It would be treated similarly to an accident on a public street.

COMMENT 6:

There was a question regarding that when a signal at Ash Street and County Road J is installed, could the trail be routed on the west side of Centerville Road.

RESPONSE 6:

The County will consider this option.

COMMENT 7:

A comment was made that there is a small boat access on Amelia Lake on the west side of the lake.

RESPONSE 7:

No response necessary.

COMMENT 8:

Several comments were made suggesting that the trail be routed along the St. Paul Water Utility's property west of Centerville Road.

RESPONSE 8:

The County will consider this option.

COMMENT 9:

There was concern regarding the trail segment being constructed and how the east/west bicycle and pedestrian traffic will flow.

RESPONSE 9:

The Parks and Recreation Department shared comment with the Highway Department.

COMMENT 10:

There was concern expressed regarding the turtles crossing the road and proposed trail to get to Amelia Lake.

RESPONSE 10:

The County previously contacted the MN DNR and conducted a Natural Heritage Database search on Endangered, Threatened, Special Concern Species. Information obtained was included in the trail master plan.

COMMENT 11:

There was concern regarding the speed limit on Centerville Road near Amelia Lake.

RESPONSE 11:

Comment was shared with the County Highway Department.

Karen Blaska

From: Karen Blaska
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 2:11 PM
To: Larson, Dallas
Cc: Jeff Perry
Subject: Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Master Plan
Attachments: COLBERT - Letter requesting comments_centerville.pdf; DRAFT Chain of Lakes Bald Eagle Reg Trail Master Plan_2014.pdf

Hi Dallas.

I'm attaching a letter requesting review and comment on our draft Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan, which is also attached.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

Karen Blaska

Park Planner

Anoka County Parks and Recreation

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C: 612-845-8391

www.anokacountyparks.com

No Response Received.



Anoka County Parks and Recreation

550 Bunker Lake Boulevard NW, Andover, MN 55304

February 26, 2014

Dallas Larson, City Administrator
City of Centerville
1880 Main Street
Centerville, MN 55038

RE: Chain of Lakes – Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan

Dear Dallas:

The Anoka County Parks and Recreation Department would like to invite you to review and comment on the proposed Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan, which is attached with this letter.

As you are aware, the proposed trail is approximately 3 miles long and follows CSAH 21/Centerville Road north-south through the cities of Centerville and Lino Lakes. The proposed trail provides a critical link between the two cities and it connects the Central Anoka County and the Bunker-Chain of Lakes regional trails, as well as the Ramsey County bikeway system, Bald Eagle-Otter Lakes Regional Park and Tamarack Nature Center.

The County is requesting input and comment on the master plan from the local cities and regulatory agencies, as well as the public. The County will conduct an open house to receive public input on the proposed trail master plan on March 25th, 2014 from 4:30pm to 6:30pm at Centerville City Hall.

Please provide any comments regarding this master plan in written form to my attention at the address listed above or via e-mail at karen.blaska@co.anoka.mn.us, by March 26th, 2014. Any comments received will be incorporated into the final Master Plan. Once the master plan is complete, the County will request the City pass a resolution of support for the plan.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at 763-767-2865.

Thank you and regards,

Karen Blaska
Park Planner

cc: Jeff Perry, Planning & Resources Manager

Karen Blaska

From: Karen Blaska
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 2:11 PM
To: Grochala, Mike
Cc: Jeff Perry
Subject: Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Master Plan
Attachments: COLBERT - Letter requesting comments_lino.pdf; DRAFT Chain of Lakes Bald Eagle Reg Trail Master Plan_2014.pdf

Hi Mike.

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Thanks!!

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550 Bunker Lake Boulevard NW, Andover, MN 55304

February 26, 2014

Mike Grochala, Community Development Director
City of Lino Lakes
600 Town Center Parkway
Lino Lakes, MN 55014

RE: Chain of Lakes – Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan

Dear Mike:

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Thank you and regards,

Karen Blaska
Park Planner

cc: Jeff Perry, Planning & Resources Manager

OPEN SPACES IN NEARBY PLACES



March 21, 2014

Karan Blaska
Parks Planner
Anoka County Parks and Recreations
550 Bunker Lake Boulevard NW
Andover, MN 55304

VIA EMAIL

RE: Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan

Dear Ms. Blaska:

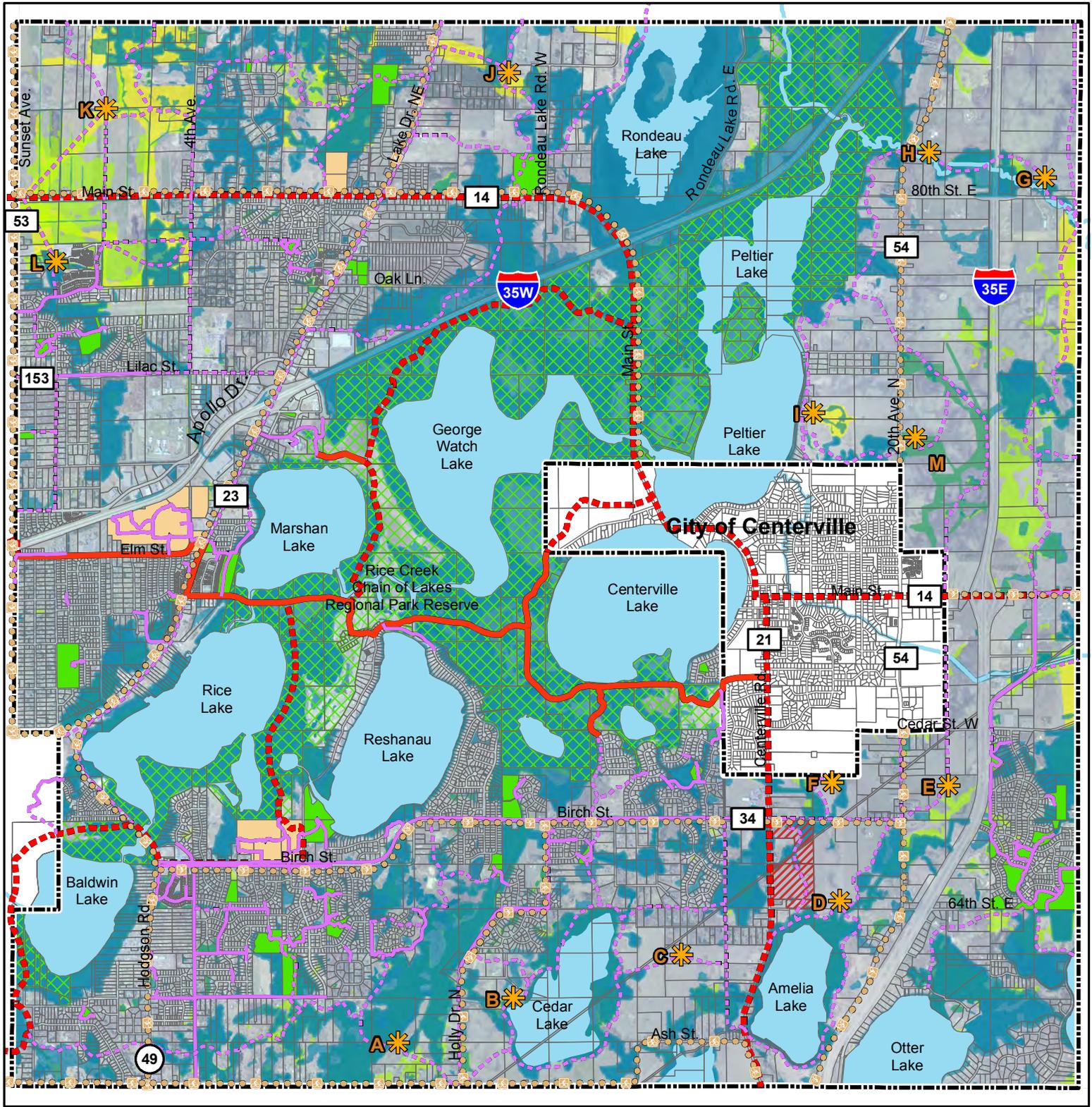
Thank you for the opportunity to review the proposed Chain of Lakes –Bald eagle regional Trail Master Plan. The City is very supportive of Anoka County's efforts to expand the regional trail system in the City of Lino Lakes and connect to adjoining jurisdictions. Based on review of the plan we have the following comments:

- 1 The proposed Regional Trail is consistent with the City's Park and Trail Plan in regards to location along Centerville Road/CSAH 21.
- 2 The trail will provide a critical link to the City's future recreational facility located south of Birch Street. Location of the trail should be on the east side of CSAH 21 south of Birch Street.
- 3 The proposed trail crosses 35E via County Road J (Ash Street). The existing bridge is a narrow two lane facility that is likely insufficient to accommodate a trail. The plan should address the need for bridge improvements or a separate pedestrian bridge crossing to accommodate the proposed trail.
- 4 The population forecasts on Page 8 have been revised by Metropolitan Council. The revised forecasts released for Comments on February 19, 2014 show a 2040 population for Lino Lakes of 29,000 and Centerville at 4,200.
- 5 Page 9 refers to a Figure 16 but there is no 16.
- 6 Page 14 referenced a Figure x. The corresponding Transit Access figure is not labeled.

If you have any questions please contact me directly at 651 982-2427. I look forward to working with you on this project.

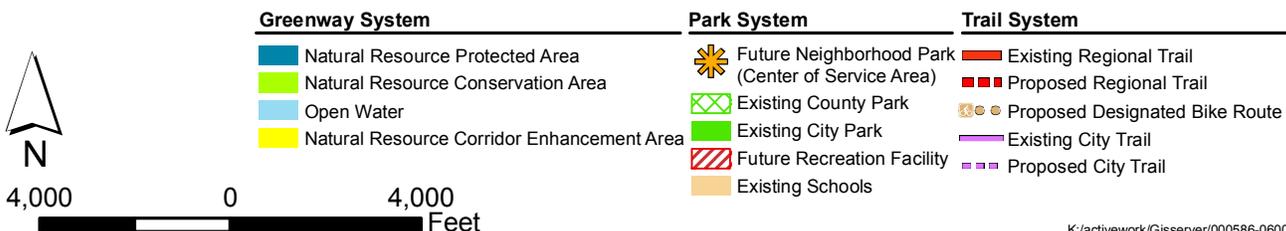
Sincerely,

Michael Grochala, AICP
Community Development Director



Park, Greenway & Trail System Plan

City of Lino Lakes 2030 Comprehensive Plan



September 9, 2008

Karen Blaska

From: Karen Blaska
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 2:11 PM
To: Drewry, Kate; Beaudet, Andrew D MVP; Phil Belfiori (pbelfiori@ricecreek.org); 'stephanie.o.mcnamara@vlawmo.org'
Subject: Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan
Attachments: DRAFT Chain of Lakes Bald Eagle Reg Trail Master Plan_2014.pdf

Hi All.

Anoka County has developed a draft master plan for the Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail. The proposed trail follows CSAH 21/Centerville Road north-south through the Cities of Centerville and Lino Lakes in the southeast corner of Anoka County. There is no timeline for the construction of this project.

I am attaching the draft master plan and requesting that you review and provide me with any questions, comments or concerns you may have by March 26th, 2014.

Please contact me if you have any questions. I am happy to meet and go over the plan, if you'd like.
Thank you.

Karen Blaska

Park Planner

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From: [Haworth, Brooke \(DNR\)](#)
To: [Karen Blaska](#)
Subject: Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan - DNR Comments
Date: Wednesday, March 26, 2014 6:35:02 PM
Attachments: [wildlife-friendly-erosion-control.pdf](#)
[State Seed Mixes.pdf](#)

Ms. Blaska,

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has reviewed the Chain of Lakes-bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan and submits the following comments for your consideration.

The northern segment of the proposed trail passes through the Audubon Carlos Avery Important Bird Area, an area identified by the local Audubon chapter as providing vital bird habitat. The southern segment by Amelia Lake passes through a Central Region Regionally Significant Ecological Area of outstanding value. This is an area identified by the DNR for significant terrestrial and wetland resources that supports a variety of plant and animal species, and provides habitat connectivity to other ecologically intact areas. The purpose of the data is to inform regional scale land use decisions, especially as it relates to balancing development and natural resource protection.

The DNR suggests that a Natural Heritage Information System (NHIS) review be conducted to determine if any records of rare species or rare natural resource features are located in proximity to the project. The NHIS is continually updated as new information becomes available and would include current records and surveys. An NHIS review is considered valid if performed within one year of project implementation. The NHIS Data Request form and rate information can be accessed on the DNR website at <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/eco/nhnrp/nhis.html>.

The proposed trail will pass through a number of wetlands identified by the National Wetland Inventory that may be subject to regulation by the Wetland Conservation Act. Contact the Rice Creek Watershed District for information on this process. If trail construction will have impacts within the ordinary high water level of Amelia Lake or any other public water body, a DNR public waters permit would be required. As your design goes forward, we recommend that you coordinate with DNR area hydrologist Kate Drewry (kate.drewry@state.mn.us / 651-259-5753) in order to ensure that it complies with permit regulations.

Because of the location of this trail through a landscape with open spaces, we recommend that wildlife-friendly erosion control materials be incorporated into the trail design. Traditional erosion control mesh is known to cause injury and may be fatal to wildlife, particularly reptiles and amphibians (see attachment). This can have an adverse effect on users of these public spaces. We also encourage the incorporation of native plants into the landscaping along this trail. This could include seeding new ditches and green spaces with native prairie seed mixes appropriate to the area (see attached native seed guidance). Such vegetation would provide food and habitat for butterflies and other native pollinators that can enhance the trail experience for the public (see: <http://www.xerces.org/pollinator-conservation-roadsides/>).

Thank you for the opportunity to review this Master Plan. We are happy to provide any further assistance as your project goes forward. Please contact me if you have questions regarding these comments.

Sincerely,

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Summary of State Seed Mixes

Standard seed mixtures used by BWSR, Mn/DOT and some divisions of the DNR have been revised and consolidated into one list of State Seed Mixes. Standards for the mixes have also been combined, with both BWSR and Mn/DOT requiring that mixes be sold as pure live seed (PLS), Source Identified (Yellow Tag) when available, and specific labeling requirements. Requirements for local origin seed will vary depending on the project goals and seed availability.

Mixes are available to meet the most commonly encountered erosion control and restoration needs.* Seed mix numbers provide information about the use and content of the mix. This numbering system can be used to guide the user in choosing the right mix for a given project. A full list of the State Seed Mixes and guidelines about their function and intended planting areas will soon be available on the Mn/DOT website by searching for "Seed Mixes."

A substitution table has been developed for state mixes. The table provides suggested substitutions for species in state seed mixes to adjust for site conditions or unavailable species.

*If one of the standard mixes does not meet the requirements of a particular project, an upcoming manual, "Site Specific Native Grassland Seed Mix Design Methodology for Minnesota," will provide an easy method for creating a custom mix.

5-digit Numbering System for State Seed Mixes

The following table shows how seed mixes are numbered:

1st digit Native / Non-native	2nd digit Function	3rd digit Planting Area	4th digit Hydrology	5th digit Version
1: Hybrid	1: Cover Crop	1: Statewide	1: General	1: First version
2: Introduced	2: Mid-Term Stabilization	2: South 1/2 and West 1/3	2: Dry	2: Second version
3: Native	3: Stormwater Facilities	3: NE and North Central	3: Dry mesic	3: etc.
4: Custom	4: Wetland	4: NW*	4: Mesic	
	5: Grassland	5: SW*	5: Wet mesic	
	6: Woodland	6: SE*	6: Seasonally flooded	
		7: Central**	7: Saturated	
			8: Emergent	
			9: Submergent	

*Use a mix for Planting Area 2 (South 1/2 and West 1/3) if no regional mix is available for Planting Areas 4-6 (NW, SW or SE).

**Use a mix for Planting Area 2 or 3 if no regional mix is available for Planting Area 7 (Central).

Example Seed Mix Number: 33-262 contains native species (3), is used for stormwater facilities (3), may be planted in the southern half and western third of the state (2) in areas that are seasonally flooded (6), and it is the second version (2) of this seed mix. This mix could also be used in Planting Area 7 if no regional mix is available.

List of State Seed Mixes for BWSR Projects

Note: the following list excludes some state mixes that have been developed for stabilizing Mn/DOT road projects (see Mn/DOT website for full list). Cover species are included in each permanent seed mixes below. Additional cover species such as oats or winter wheat (up to 10-25 pounds per acre) may be needed when planting on steep slopes or in areas that may occasionally have flowing water.

Mix Number	Mix Name	Replaces
Cover Crop		
21-111	Oats Cover Crop	MNDOT 110, BWSR UT1
Use: Temporary cover crop for spring and summer plantings Range: Statewide		
21-112	Winter Wheat Cover Crop	MNDOT 100
Use: Temporary cover crop for fall plantings Range: Statewide		
21-113	Soil Building Cover Crop	MNDOT 130
Use: Temporary cover crop with soil building function Range: Statewide		
Mid-term Stabilization Native		
32-241	Native Construction	BWSR U12, BWSR U11
Use: Mid-term soil stabilization using native species. Also suitable for sides of agricultural drainage ditches or low-diversity mesic prairie plantings. Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands, Prairie Parkland, and Eastern Broadleaf Forest Provinces.		
Stormwater Facilities		
33-261	Stormwater South and West	MNDOT 310, MNDOT 328, KESTREL TF
Use: Stormwater pond edges, temporarily flooded dry ponds, and temporarily flooded ditch bottoms. Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands, Prairie Parkland, and Eastern Broadleaf Forest Provinces.		
33-262	Dry Swale / Pond	BWSR W4
Use: Temporarily flooded swales in agricultural settings. Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands, Prairie Parkland, and Eastern Broadleaf Forest Provinces.		
33-361	Stormwater Northeast	BWSR W7
Use: Stormwater pond edges, temporarily flooded dry ponds, and temporarily flooded ditch bottoms. Range: Laurentian Mixed Forest Province.		
Wetland		
34-171	Wetland Rehabilitation	BWSR WT3
Use: Inter-seeding into establishing wetlands after weed control spraying. Also suitable for two to five year short term soil stabilization for areas with saturated soils. Range: Statewide		
34-181	Emergent Wetland	BWSR W1
Use: Emergent wetland restoration for use in wetland mitigation, shoreline restoration, wet stormwater ponds where emergent vegetation is desired. Usually used in a 10 ft. band around open water Range: Statewide		
34-261	Riparian South & West	BWSR R1
Use: Native riparian and floodplain plantings for wetland mitigation, ecological restoration, or general permanent cover. Tolerates partial shade. Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands, Prairie Parkland, and Eastern Broadleaf Forest Provinces.		
34-262	Wet Prairie	BWSR W3, MNDOT 325
Use: Wet prairie reconstruction for wetland mitigation or ecological restoration. Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands, Prairie Parkland, and Eastern Broadleaf Forest Provinces.		
34-271	Wet Meadow South & West	BWSR W2
Use: Wet meadow / Sedge meadow reconstruction for wetland mitigation or ecological restoration projects Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands, Prairie Parkland, and Eastern Broadleaf Forest Provinces.		
34-361	Riparian Northeast	BWSR R1
Use: Native riparian and floodplain plantings for wetland mitigation, ecological restoration, or general permanent cover. Tolerates partial shade. Range: Laurentian Mixed Forest Province.		

Wetland (continued)		
34-361	Riparian Northeast	BWSR R1
Use: Native riparian and floodplain plantings for wetland mitigation, ecological restoration, or general permanent cover. Tolerates partial shade. Range: Laurentian Mixed Forest Province.		
34-371	Wet Meadow Northeast	BWSR W2N
Use: Wet meadow / Sedge meadow reconstruction for wetland mitigation or ecological restoration. Range: Laurentian Mixed Forest Province.		
Native Grassland		
35-221	Dry Prairie General	MNDOT 330
Use: General dry prairie mix for native roadsides, ecological restoration, or conservation program plantings. Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands, Prairie Parkland, and Eastern Broadleaf Forest Provinces.		
35-241	Mesic Prairie General	MNDOT 350
Use: General mesic prairie mix for native roadsides, ecological restoration, or conservation program plantings. Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands, Prairie Parkland, and Eastern Broadleaf Forest Provinces.		
35-421	Dry Prairie Northwest	BWSR U2
Use: Regional dry prairie reconstruction for wetland mitigation, ecological restoration, or conservation program plantings. Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands Province, Red River Prairie Section, Hardwood Hills subsection of the MN & NE IA Morainal Section, may extend into the far western portions of the Laurentian Mixed Forest Province.		
35-441	Mesic Prairie Northwest	BWSR U1
Use: Regional mesic prairie reconstruction for wetland mitigation, ecological restoration, or conservation program plantings. Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands Province, Red River Prairie Section, Hardwood Hills subsection of the MN & NE IA Morainal Section, may extend into the far western portions of the Laurentian Mixed Forest Province.		
35-521	Dry Prairie Southwest	BWSR U4
Use: Regional dry prairie reconstruction for wetland mitigation, ecological restoration, or conservation program plantings. Range: North-Central Glaciated Plains Section.		
35-541	Mesic Prairie Southwest	BWSR U3
Use: Regional mesic prairie reconstruction for wetland mitigation, ecological restoration, or conservation program plantings. Range: North-Central Glaciated Plains Section.		
35-621	Dry Prairie Southeast	BWSR U6
Use: Regional dry prairie reconstruction for wetland mitigation, ecological restoration, or conservation program plantings. Range: Eastern Broadleaf Forest Province excluding Hardwood Hills subsection.		
35-641	Mesic Prairie Southeast	BWSR U5
Use: Regional mesic prairie reconstruction for wetland mitigation, ecological restoration, or conservation program plantings. Range: Eastern Broadleaf Forest Province excluding Hardwood Hills subsection.		
Woodland		
36-211	Woodland Edge South & West	BWSR U7, KESTREL WES
Use: Partly shaded grassland planting for native roadsides, reclamation, etc in southern and western MN. Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands, Prairie Parkland, and Eastern Broadleaf Forest Provinces.		
36-311	Woodland Edge Northeast	BWSR U13, BWSR U14, KESTREL WEN
Use: Partly shaded grassland planting for native roadsides, reclamation, etc in north-central and northeast MN. Increase cover crop in more erosion prone situations according to the chart. Range: Laurentian Mixed Forest Province excluding Chippewa Plains, Pine Moraines & Outwash Plains, and Mille Lacs Uplands subsections.		
36-411	Woodland Edge Northwest	KESTREL WEW
Use: Partly shaded grassland planting for native roadsides, reclamation, etc in far northwest MN. Range: Tallgrass Aspen Parklands Province.		
36-711	Woodland Edge Central	KESTREL WEC
Use: Partly shaded grassland planting for native roadsides, reclamation, etc in central MN. Range: Chippewa Plains, Pine Moraines & Outwash Plains, and Mille Lacs Uplands subsections.		

Wildlife-friendly Erosion Control

Wildlife entanglement in, and death from, plastic netting and other man-made plastic materials has been documented in birds (Johnson, 1990; Fuller-Perrine and Tobin, 1993), fish (Johnson, 1990), mammals (Derraik, 2002), and reptiles (Barton and Kinkead, 2005; Kapfer and Paloski, 2011). Unfortunately, the use of these materials for erosion control continues in many cases, often without consideration for wildlife impact. This plastic netting is frequently used for erosion control during construction and landscape projects and can negatively impact terrestrial and aquatic wildlife populations as well as snag in maintenance machinery, resulting in costly repairs and delays. However, erosion-control materials that are wildlife friendly do exist and are sold by several large companies. Below are a few key considerations before starting a project.

Know Your Options

- Remember to consult with local natural resource agencies (DNR, USFWS, etc.) before starting a project. They can help you identify sensitive areas and rare species.
- When erosion control is necessary, select products with biodegradable netting (natural fiber, biodegradable polyesters, etc.).
- DO NOT use products that require UV-light to biodegrade (also called “photodegradable”) as they do not biodegrade properly when shaded by vegetation.
- Use netting with rectangular-shaped mesh (not square mesh).
- Use netting with flexible (non-welded) mesh.



Know the Landscape

- It is especially important to use wildlife-friendly erosion control around:
 - Areas with threatened or endangered species.
 - Wetlands, rivers, lakes, and other watercourses.
 - Habitat-transition zones (prairie – woodland edges, rocky outcrop – woodland edges, steep rocky slopes, etc.).
- Use erosion mesh wisely; not all areas with disturbed ground necessitate its use. Do not use plastic mesh unless it is specifically required. Other erosion-control options exist (open weave textile (OWT), rolled erosion control products (RECPs) with woven, natural fiber netting).



Protect Wildlife

- Avoid photodegradable erosion-control materials where possible.
- Use only biodegradable materials (typically made from natural fibers), preferably those that will biodegrade under a variety of conditions.
- The cost of erosion-control material that is wildlife friendly is often comparable to conventional plastic netting.



Plains Gartersnake trapped and killed by welded-plastic square erosion-control mesh placed along a newly installed cement culvert in southern Minnesota. ©MN DNR, Carol Hall



A small vole that was strangled and killed by plastic erosion-control material with welded and square mesh. Photo taken in southern Minnesota and provided courtesy of Tom Jessen.

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Karen Blaska
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Dear Ms. Blaska:

We have received your submittal described below. You may contact the Project Manager with questions regarding the evaluation process. The Project Manager may request additional information necessary to evaluate your submittal.

File Number: MVP-2014-02324-ADB

Applicant: Karen Blaska

Project Name: Anoka County Parks and Recreation / Proposed Chain of Lakes-
Otter Lake Regional Trail

Received Date: 06/10/2014

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Thank you.

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March 21, 2014



Karen Blaska
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Re: Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan, RCWD 14-018R

Dear Ms Blaska,

Rice Creek Watershed District (RCWD/District) has completed a "pre-application review" of the Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan. The District's general understanding of the project is as follows. The proposed 8 to 10 foot wide trail will begin near the intersection of Heritage Street and CSAH 21 in Centerville go south following CSAH 21/Centerville Road to County Road J and then east to Otter Lake. The total length of the trail will be approximately 3 miles of which approximately 1.3 miles is not within the RCWD. The proposed route of the trail appears to be adjacent to a number of wetlands. Majority of these wetlands are located within the Lino Lakes Comprehensive Wetland Protection and Management Plan (CWPMP).

This project would be considered under District rules as a public linear project. District Rules C, D, E, F, G and I may be applicable to this project. (The District is contemplating a revision of the District rules.) The following is a review and summary of each rule based upon the information submitted. The information submitted includes the Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan.

Rule C – Stormwater Management

The plan indicates the proposed trail is 8 to 10 foot wide. If the trail is designed with a down-gradient vegetative open space or vegetative filter strip of a minimum width of 5 feet, the requirements of Rule C do not apply per Rule C.2(c). If portions of the trail do not meet this requirement and are 10,000 square feet or more of new or reconstructed impervious surface than Rule C would apply within each resource of concern (ROC). Rule C would require water quality treatment of 0.75 inches within each ROC and peak stormwater runoff control for the 2-, 10- and 100-year, 24 hour storm events, in aggregate, for the project. This project appears to be within four ROC which include Centerville Lake, Peltier Lake, Sherman Lake and Otter Lake.

Rule D – Erosion Control

A permit for Rule D will be required for any project with soil disturbance of 1 acre or more. If the project is located within 300 feet of and drains to a lake, stream, wetland or public drainage system than a soil disturbance of 10,000 square feet will trigger Rule D. If Rule C is triggered than Rule D applies. This project would be greater than 1 acre of soil disturbance, therefore the requirement of Rule D would apply.

Rule E - Floodplain

The project may be within the RCWD regulator floodplain of Otter Lake which is at a 912.7 (NAVD 88). If so, then requirements of Rule E would apply.

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Rule F - Wetland Alteration

Wetland delineations along the proposed trail route would need to be complete to verify the trail will not impact existing wetlands. The proposed project is considered a public linear project and located within a CWPMP. Public linear projects are not subject to the requirements of Rule F, Section 6.

Rule G – Crossing of Conveyance Systems

Any crossing of a creek, public drainage system or major water course having a drainage area of 200 acres or more would be subject to the requirements of Rule G.

Rule I - Drainage Systems

Rule I applies for public and private drainage systems. The proposed trail route appears to cross or run adjacent to a number of private drainage systems, therefore the requirements of Rule I would apply to this project.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this review. The review was completed by Greg Bowles at Houston Engineering, our consulting engineer. Again, this is a pre-application review and therefore subject to change as the project further develops.



Nick Tomczik
Permit Coordinator/ Wetland Specialist

Karen Blaska

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Subject: RE: Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan

Karen,

Sorry for the delay in responding.

I enjoyed looking through the Trail Master Plan and look forward to working with you when you get to the south end of the trail. It appears there may be some wetlands near the road on the south end. VLAWMO is the LGU for this area for the Wetland Conservation Act. It appears this is a multi-year project, so perhaps meeting closer to when you would be doing the work would be a good idea. Thanks for the heads up.

Stephanie McNamara

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Subject: Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan

Hi All.

Anoka County has developed a draft master plan for the Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail. The proposed trail follows CSAH 21/Centerville Road north-south through the Cities of Centerville and Lino Lakes in the southeast corner of Anoka County. There is no timeline for the construction of this project.

I am attaching the draft master plan and requesting that you review and provide me with any questions, comments or concerns you may have by March 26th, 2014.

Please contact me if you have any questions. I am happy to meet and go over the plan, if you'd like.
Thank you.

Karen Blaska

Park Planner

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Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 2:39 PM
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Cc: Yonke, Scott (scott.yonke@co.ramsey.mn.us); Jeff Perry
Subject: Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan
Attachments: COLBERT - Letter requesting comments_ramsey.pdf; DRAFT Chain of Lakes Bald Eagle Reg Trail Master Plan_2014.pdf

Good Afternoon Greg.

Anoka County recently developed a draft master plan for the Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail. As you may know, this trail is proposed to connect up to your parks and trails system along Otter Lake Road in White Bear Township.

I'm attaching a letter of request and the Draft trail master plan and asking that Ramsey County review the plan and provide me with any questions, comments or concerns the County may have on the master plan. I'd like to get comments back by March 26th.

Please let me know if you have any questions.
Thanks in advance!

Karen Blaska

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February 26, 2014

Greg Mack, Director of Parks and Recreation
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RE: Chain of Lakes – Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan

Dear Greg:

The Anoka County Parks and Recreation Department would like to invite you to review and comment on the proposed Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan, which is attached with this letter.

The proposed trail is approximately 3 miles long and follows CSAH 21/Centerville Road north-south through the cities of Centerville and Lino Lakes. The proposed trail provides a critical link between the two cities and it connects the Central Anoka County and the Bunker-Chain of Lakes regional trails, as well as the Ramsey County bikeway system, Bald Eagle-Otter Lakes Regional Park and Tamarack Nature Center.

The County is requesting input and comment on the master plan from the local cities, regulatory agencies, and other regional agencies. Please provide any comments regarding this master plan in written form to my attention at the address listed above or via e-mail at karen.blaska@co.anoka.mn.us, by March 26th, 2014. Any comments received will be incorporated into the final Master Plan.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at 763-767-2865.

Thank you and regards,

Karen Blaska
Park Planner

cc: Jeff Perry, Planning & Resources Manager



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March 10, 2014

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Re: Chain of Lakes - Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan

Dear Karen:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Chain of Lakes - Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan. Please see below for my comments.

1. *Master Plan Title* - A title change should be considered. If you are referencing a trail connection between regional parks, the title should be changed to Chain of Lakes - Bald Eagle Otter Lake Regional Trail. Currently, Ramsey County does not have a trail connection from Otter Lake to Bald Eagle Lake and just referencing Bald Eagle within the name may imply the regional trail is terminating at Bald Eagle Lake. If possible, Bald Eagle should be changed to Otter Lake since the regional trail is terminating at Otter Lake. If the title name is changed, this change will require revisions throughout the document.
2. *Boundaries and Acquisition Cost* - A reference should be considered for a connection to Birch Lake Regional Trail. Birch Lake Regional Trail connects Highway 96 Regional Trail to Tamarack Nature Center. This may help provide additional justification for the regional trail as it would provide a connection to a much larger regional park and trail system. Figure 2 could be expanded to provide additional context for connections to other regional parks and trails.
3. *Exhibit C* -
 - Additional detail should be provided for the trail connection over I-35E on County Road J bridge. Are bridge improvements required for this to occur and what are the cost implications? A reference should also be made for the trail location on the north side of County Rd J.
 - Additional detail should be provided for the regional trail end point at the intersection of County Rd J and Otter Lake Road.
4. *Development Concept - Cost Estimate*

- Additional cost detail should be provided for the trail connection over I-35E on County Road J bridge. It may be helpful to break this section out under bridge crossings.
- There seems to be an large gap between Topographic and Survey/Construction on Table 2.

5. *Conflicts* - Additional information should be provided for the trail connection over I-35E on County Road J bridge.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 651-748-2500, extension 330 or email me at scott.yonke@co.ramsey.mn.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Yonke". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "S" and a long, sweeping underline.

Scott Yonke, ASLA, PLA
Landscape Architect
Director of Planning and Development
Ramsey County Parks and Recreation Department

Cc: *Greg Mack - Ramsey County Parks and Recreation*
Jeff Perry - Anoka County Parks and Recreation

Karen Blaska

From: Karen Blaska
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 2:17 PM
To: Jack Forslund
Subject: Draft Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle REgional Trail Master Plan
Attachments: DRAFT Chain of Lakes Bald Eagle Reg Trail Master Plan_2014.pdf

Hey Jack.

Here's a draft master plan for the Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle regional trail. Please review and provide comments back to me by March 26th.

Thanks!!

Karen

From: [Jack Forslund](#)
To: [Karen Blaska](#)
Subject: RE: Chain of Lakes Bald Eagle Regional Trail master plan
Date: Thursday, February 06, 2014 3:39:05 PM
Attachments: [Draft COLBE RT overall trail corridor with J Forslund suggestions.pdf](#)
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Hi Karen, I think it looks good but I have a couple suggestions.

I would suggest that in the legend you label the Chain of Lakes Bald Eagle Regional Trail as "Proposed" COLBERT. Also, that's a long name, I was thinking it might be Chain of Lakes – Bald Eagle Regional Trail (with a hyphen between the two). Is it called this because it connects with Bald Eagle Lake?

Also, I was looking on the aerial and it doesn't appear that all of the trails called "Existing, Regional Trail" do exist. Specifically the section in between Goiffon and Centerville Roads north of Heritage. Was it built recently?

I have also attached one of the maps with some suggestions for your consideration. Thanks for letting me take a look! :)

Call me if you have any questions.

Jack



Tina Pedersen

From: Tonya Orbeck <tonya.orbeck@ecm-inc.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 2:16 PM
To: Tina Pedersen
Subject: RE: Legal Publication - Parks Public Open House

Your notice will be scheduled to run in the June 13, 2014 Anoka County UnionHerald. You will receive a proof as soon as it is available. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Please call or email for early 4th of July week deadlines.

Thank you, we appreciate your business!

Tonya Orbeck

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Attached is a Public Open House Notice for the Chain of Lakes – Otter Lake Regional Trail Master Plan.

Please publish as stated on document.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you,

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Tina Pedersen

From: Evelyn Duvall <legals@presspubs.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 3:09 PM
To: Tina Pedersen
Subject: Re: Legal Publication - Parks Public Open House

Hello,
Your notice has been received and will run in the Quad Community Press on June 17, 2014.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Duvall
Legals Dept.
legals@presspubs.com
651-407-1253

On Jun 10, 2014, at 2:04 PM, Tina Pedersen wrote:

> <Parks Public Open House 2nd Notice.doc>

Public Open House Notice

Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail Master Plan

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Jerry Soma
County Administrator

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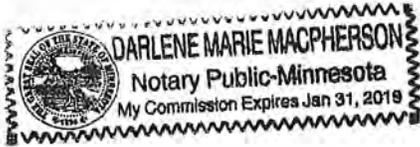
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By: Charlene Vold
Authorized Agent

Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed before me on 06/13/2014.

Darlene M MacPherson
Notary Public



**ANOKA COUNTY
PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE
NOTICE CHAIN OF LAKES
OTTER LAKE REGIONAL
TRAIL MASTER PLAN**

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/s/ Jerry Soma
County Administrator
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/s/ Jerry Soma, County Administrator
Published one time in the Quad Community Press on June 17, 2014.

CITY OF CIRCLE PINES, MINNESOTA ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CIRCLE PINES SCADA SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS CENTENNIAL UTILITIES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Centennial Utilities at the office of the City Administrator until 10:00 a.m. CST, Wednesday July 9, 2014, at the office of City of Circle Pines - Centennial Utilities, 200 Civic Heights Circle, Circle Pines, MN 55014. Bids received after this time will not be accepted. Bids will be opened publicly and read aloud immediately after specified closing time. Bid Security in the amount of 5% of the bid in the form must accompany each bid in accordance with the specifications.

CIRCLE PINES SCADA SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS: The work generally consists of replacement of existing radio-based remote telemetry units at each of six (6) remote sites and a master telemetry unit at the City's municipal water treatment plant. Alternate bids are being requested for the addition of new PC-based municipal "Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition" (SCADA) system.

Bids must be submitted on the Proposal Forms provided in accordance with the Contract Documents, Plans, and Specifications as prepared by Barr Engineering, Inc., 4700 West 77th Street, Edina, MN 55435, which are on file with the City Administrator of Centennial Utilities and may be seen at the office of the Consulting Engineers or at the office of the City Administrator. Complete bidding documents may be purchased for a non-refundable charge of \$25.00 per set through Quest CDN www.questcdn.com using Project # 3377578 or through the office of the Engineer at the address above (attn.: Sue Nelson) for a non-refundable charge of \$100.00 (make checks payable to Barr Engineering Company).

Bids will only be accepted from Contractors who purchase digital or paper Bidding Documents as specified above. No bids will be considered unless sealed and filed with the Centennial Utilities and accompanied by a cash deposit, cashier's check, or certified check, or bid bond made payable to Centennial Utilities for five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid, and be forfeited as liquidated damages in the event that the bid be accepted and the bidder fail to enter promptly into a written contract and furnish the required bond.

No bids may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of opening of bids. Centennial Utilities reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

DATED: June 9, 2014

BY ORDER OF CENTENNIAL UTILITIES

s/s James W. Keinath, City Administrator, Circle Pines, MN

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CITY OF LINO LAKES NOTICE OF ABSENTEE VOTING LINO LAKES MUNICIPAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Minnesota Statute 203B.081, that absentee voting for the upcoming August 12 Primary Election will be conducted at Lino Lakes City Hall, 600 Town Center Parkway, beginning Friday, June 27. Lino Lakes voters may call Lino Lakes City Hall and request an application for an absentee ballot or vote an absentee ballot in person at city hall during office hours.

For further information or to request an absentee ballot, please contact the city clerk at 651-982-2406 or julie.bartell@ci.lino-lakes.mn.us

Julie Bartell, City Clerk

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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 12 DISTRICT OFFICE BUILDING 4707 NORTH ROAD CIRCLE PINES, MN 55014 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by Independent School District 12 at District Offices, 4707 North Road Circle Pines, MN 55014, until 2:00 p.m. July 17, 2014, at which time all bids will be opened and read publicly. Bids are being invited on the purchase of milk and related products for District 12 school.

Bids must be submitted on proposal forms furnished by the district and in accordance with specifications. The district reserves the right to reject any of all bids and to waive informalities. All Bids are to be addressed to the Business Manager and be properly identified with the inscription: MILK/MISC-DAIRY PRODUCTS BID.

Suzy Guthmueler, Clerk

Published two times in the Quad Community Press on June 17 and July 1, 2014.

Karen Blaska

From: Karen Blaska
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 9:30 AM
To: AICP Katie Larsen (katie.larsen@ci.lino-lakes.mn.us); Larson, Dallas
Cc: Grochala, Mike
Subject: Chain of Lakes - Otter Lake Regional Trail
Attachments: Chain of Lakes Otter Lake Reg Trail Master Plan_2014.pdf; example city resolution.doc

I would like to take this opportunity to submit the latest version of the master plan for the Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail for comments.

As you can see, the route has been revised and is proposed to cross the City of Lino Lake's property south of Birch Street and travel southeast around Lake Amelia to County Road 54/20th Avenue and south to County Road J.

We are planning another open house for June 24th. Invites will be sent out later this week.

Please review the plan and provide any comments you may have in writing to me by July 11th. If you have no comments, please submit that to me as well. Comments received will be addressed and incorporated into the master plan.

I would also like to request a Resolution of Support for the trail be passed by your City Council. I have attached an example for your use. I am happy to attend the Council meeting if needed. Just let me know the date.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Karen Blaska

Park Planner

Anoka County Parks and Recreation

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Karen Blaska

From: Karen Blaska
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 2:11 PM
To: Drewry, Kate; Beaudet, Andrew D MVP; Phil Belfiori (pbelfiori@ricecreek.org); 'stephanie.o.mcnamara@vlawmo.org'
Subject: Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail Master Plan
Attachments: DRAFT Chain of Lakes Bald Eagle Reg Trail Master Plan_2014.pdf

Hi All.

Anoka County has developed a draft master plan for the Chain of Lakes-Bald Eagle Regional Trail. The proposed trail follows CSAH 21/Centerville Road north-south through the Cities of Centerville and Lino Lakes in the southeast corner of Anoka County. There is no timeline for the construction of this project.

I am attaching the draft master plan and requesting that you review and provide me with any questions, comments or concerns you may have by March 26th, 2014.

Please contact me if you have any questions. I am happy to meet and go over the plan, if you'd like.
Thank you.

Karen Blaska

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Metropolitan Council

Working for the Region, Planning for the Future

Internal Memorandum

Date: August 11, 2014
To: Jan Youngquist, Principal Reviewer
From: Jim Larsen, Environmental Review
Subject: Chain of Lakes – Otter Lake Regional Trail Master Plan
Anoka County Parks
Review File No. 50048-1

General Comments – Stormwater Management

One of the review letters included (on pages 44 and 45/58) in the submission is from Rice Creek Watershed District (RCWD). The letter indicates that a little over half of the proposed trail segment described in the Plan is within RCWD, and that their ‘Rule C’ will require surface water runoff water quality treatment will be required for runoff from the portion of trail built within their watershed. Most if not all of the portion of the trail planned for construction in the near term in conjunction with the rehab of CSAH 21 as depicted on Figure 6 (on page 8/58), will require water quality treatment of its runoff. That treatment can be provided by either an adjacent vegetative filter strip or by the same infrastructure that will be managing the roadway runoff, depending upon which way the trail runoff slope is constructed and the project designed. The Plan is silent on how surface water runoff will be managed or treated...or *if* it will need to be managed by the respective watershed organizations. It would be helpful if a short section could be incorporated into the text to indicate that respective watershed requirements will be followed, and what they will most likely entail, consistent with their existing management plan requirements.



August 19, 2014

Jan Youngquist
Metropolitan Council
390 Robert St. N.
St. Paul, MN 55101

RE: Comments on Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail Master Plan

Dear Jan:

I have received the Metropolitan Council staff comments related to storm water management for the Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail. Anoka County offers the following in response to those comments:

Water quality treatment and stormwater management for the proposed trail is proposed to follow the requirements of the MN Department of Natural Resources, Army Corps of Engineers, Rice Creek Watershed District and other permitting and regulatory agency requirements at the time of construction. For example, water quality treatment can be achieved through a minimum of a five foot wide vegetated filter strip or vegetated open space located down-gradient of the trail according to the Rice Creek Watershed District.

Stormwater management for the Chain of Lakes-Otter Lake Regional Trail will vary depending on location. The section of trail to be constructed in the near future, from Heritage Street to Dupre Street, is being incorporated into the existing CSAH 21 roadway project and thus the design of water quality treatment and stormwater management facilities have been incorporated into that project as well.

The stormwater management plans for that project will utilize and expand existing systems within the project area. Currently, the system consists of vegetated swales, ditches and ponds. Those existing facilities will be expanded to accommodate the water quality treatment volume and store run-off for the roadway and trail project.

Stormwater management related to the remaining trail corridor will be designed to meet all regulatory agency requirements at the time of construction.

The ownership and maintenance of the stormwater management facilities will be the responsibility of Anoka County.

I hope that provides enough information regarding the stormwater management for this trail plan. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 763-767-2865 or via e-mail at karen.blaska@co.anoka.mn.us.

Thank you and regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Karen Blaska".

Karen Blaska
Park Planner

cc: Jeff Perry, Planning & Resources Manager