



Monon South Trail

PUBLIC KICK-OFF MEETING #1

Orleans, Indiana

May 24, 2023





WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Jeff Quyle- President & CEO



Monon South Trail...

- Radius has been working with the state to acquire the Monon rail line.
- In 2020 and 2021, Radius led the efforts with Clark Dietz and Taylor Siefker Williams Design Group to work through a visioning process for converting the former rail line to a rail-trail.
- Radius Indiana then used the Vision Book as part of its funding application for the trail.



Monon South Trail...

- Acquisition of the rail line was completed.
- In January 2023, the project received \$29.5 million for the design and construction of the Monon South Trail project through **IDNR's Next Level Trails Program**.

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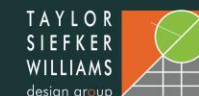
POLITICS

Holcomb announces \$29.5M for 62-mile Monon South Trail in Southern Indiana

Claire Rafford and **Arika Herron** Indianapolis Star

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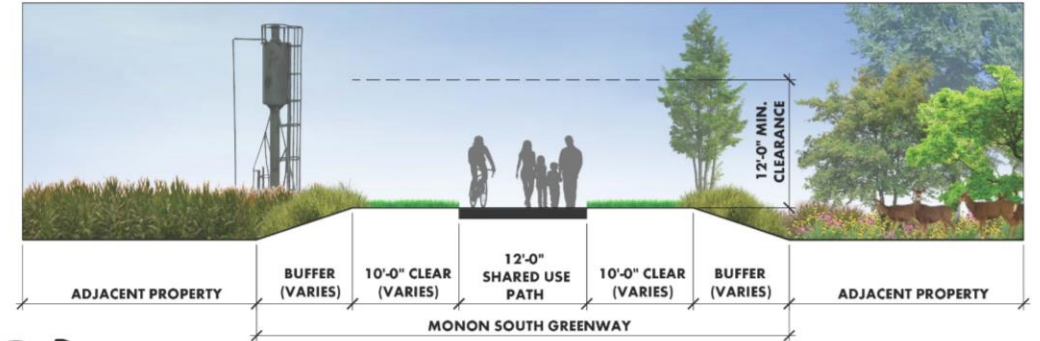
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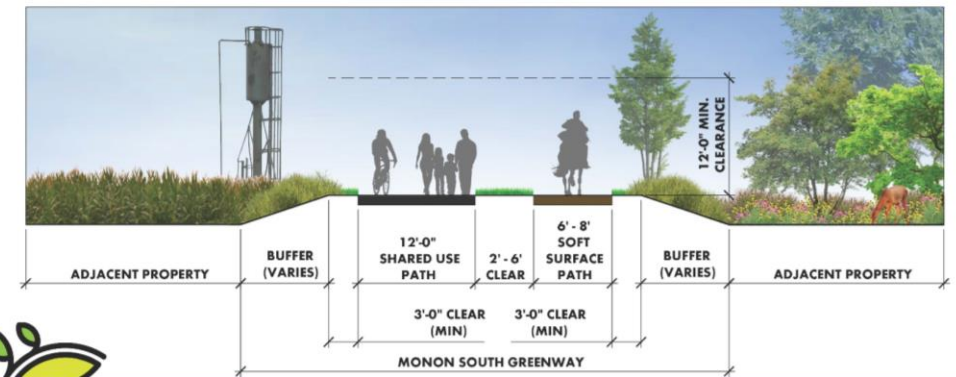


Tonight...

- This is the first of many public engagement meetings to discuss the trail over the next couple of years.
- This is a chance to **celebrate** as a region.
- This is our chance to share with residents more about the **specific project** and **what comes next**.



PROTOTYPICAL CROSS SECTION
Rural Trail

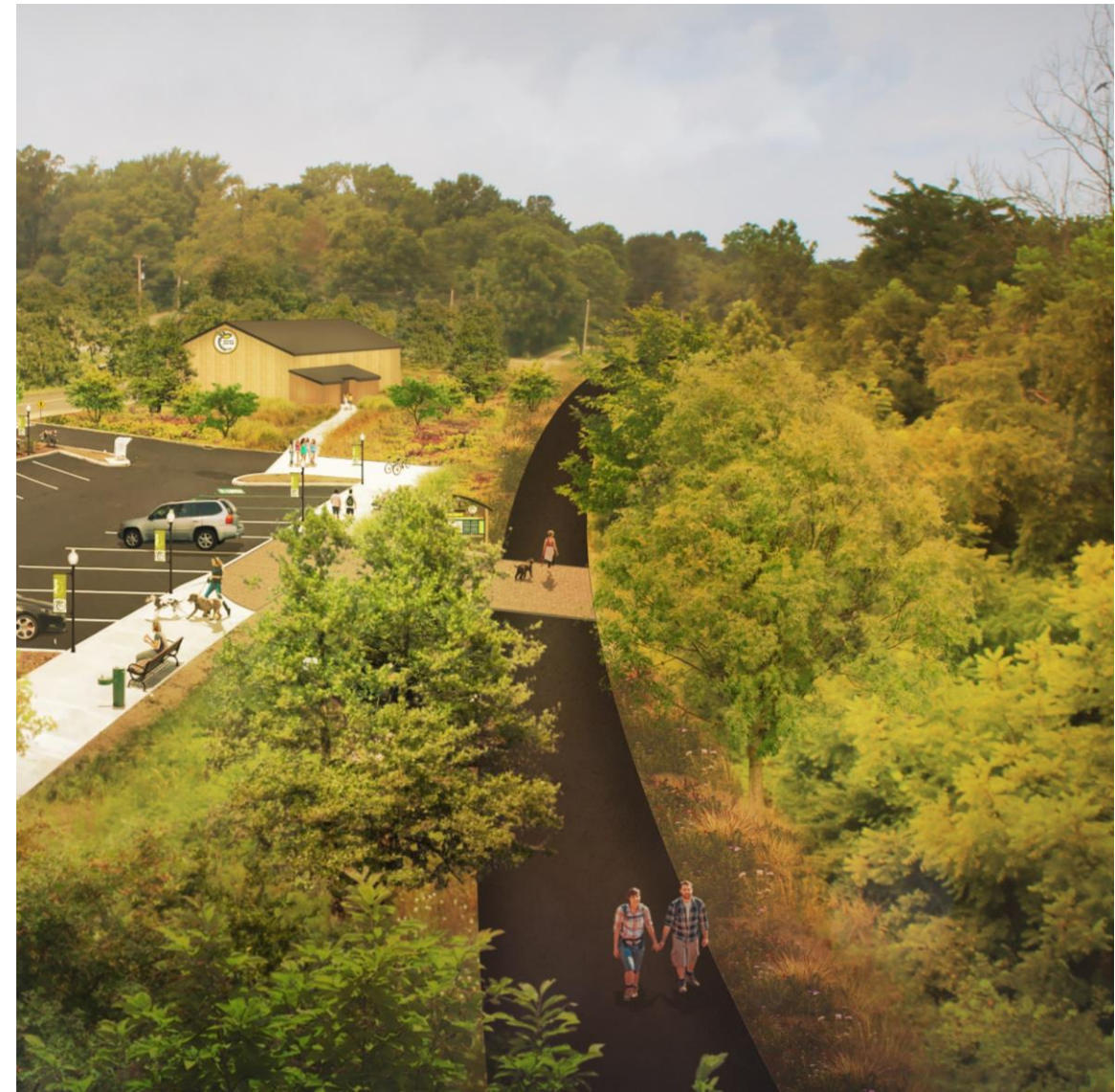


PROTOTYPICAL CROSS SECTION
Rural Trail with Soft-Surface Equine Option



Our Agenda...

- **Project Overview and Project Team Introductions-** Ryan Hughes, Program Manager
- **Public Outreach and Engagement-** Ron Taylor
- **Additional Project Resources and Engagement-** Andrea Irland
- **Open House Instructions-** Ron Taylor
- **Concluding Remarks-** Ryan Hughes
- **OPEN HOUSE DISCUSSIONS & EXHIBITS**



PROJECT RESOURCES

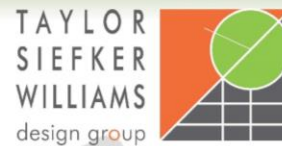
Agencies & Funding Support



Supporting Organizations



Project Team





PROJECT TEAM & PROJECT OVERVIEW

Ryan Hughes, PE- Program Manager

ClarkDietz



Project Team Introduction

Clark>Dietz

Overall Program Manager, Engineering Lead and Project Management

TAYLOR
SIEFKER
WILLIAMS
design group



Community Engagement, Trail Design Standards, Community Amenity Design


USI
consultants


LOCHMUELLER
GROUP


BANNING
ENGINEERING


SESCO group
Environmental Solutions

Engineering, Environmental, and Survey Partners


CRAFTED
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Communications



Additional Resource Development



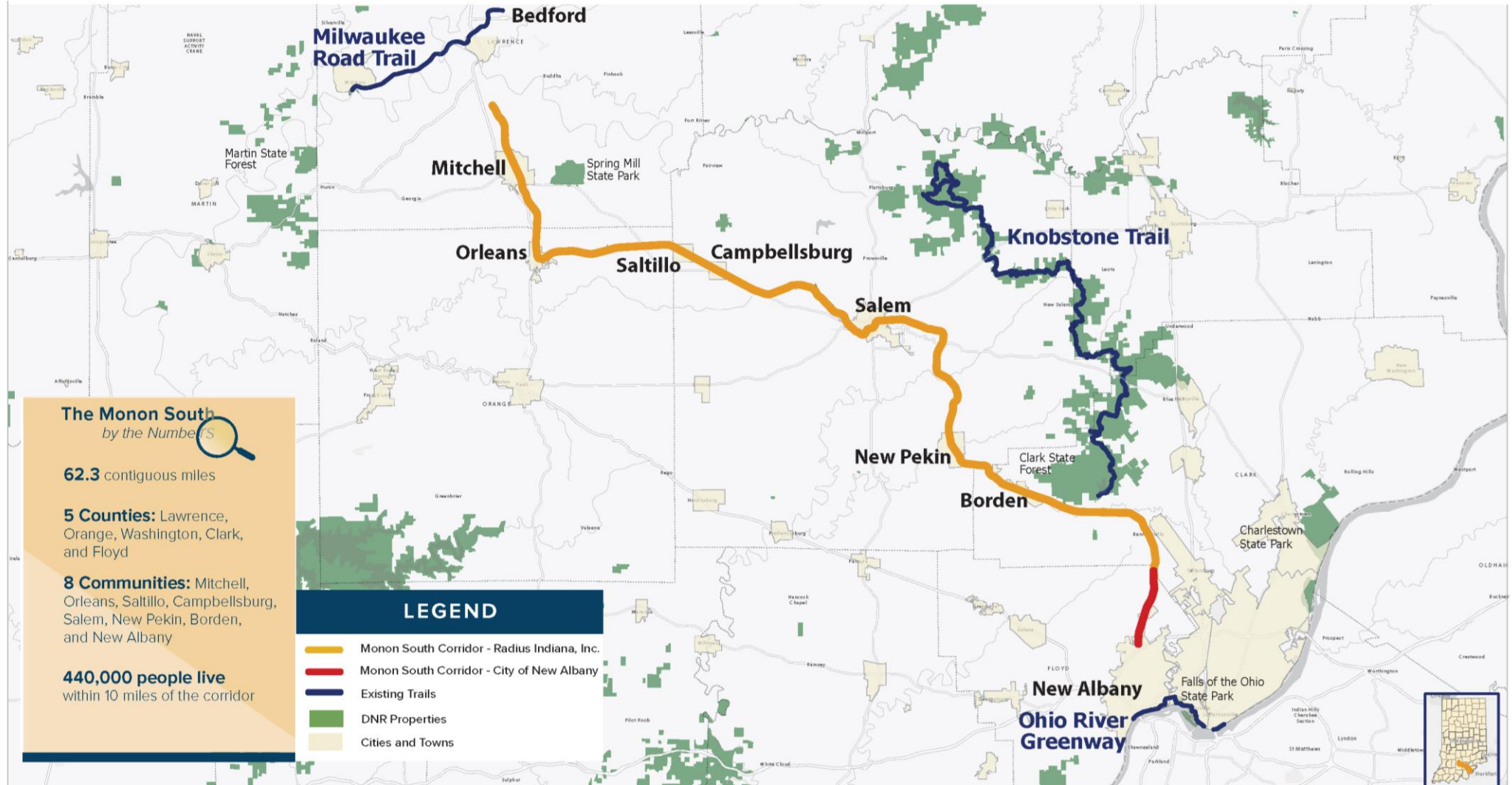

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TAYLOR
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design group



Clark>Dietz

Project Overview



Design Process...

- The Clark Dietz Team was selected for implementation of the entire corridor.
- Team was developed to allow multiple design teams to **simultaneously design** the different sections in order to meet funding and construction requirements.
- Strategy was developed to focus on urbanized sections first, and then design and construct rural sections next.



Design Process...

- Our design process is divided into three phases:
 - Engineering Assessment.
 - Design of urbanized sections and critical crossings.
 - Design of rural sections.



Engineering Assessment...

- Inventory the corridor and provide infrastructure assessment for former rail line, bridges.
- Allow for the removal of rail lines (with the intent of preserving significant architectural artifacts)
- Complete survey of corridor.
- Initiate the preliminary community engagement process to determine preliminary design standards.



Overall Project Design Process and Timeline



*Contingent on Future Funding



What is happening right now?

- Acquisition of the rail line is complete.
- CSX contractor is currently removing the existing tracks and other infrastructure not designated to remain.
- Survey work for the entire corridor is underway and nearing completion.
- Initial public outreach and engagement is underway.





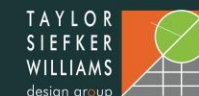
PUBLIC OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT

Ron L. Taylor, FASLA



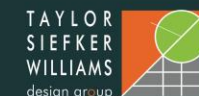
Public Engagement Strategy...

- This is the first of many public engagement meetings to discuss the trail over the next couple of years.
- There will be a series of **Public Informational Meetings** for the entire corridor.
- There will also be ongoing **Community Workshops** in the four major urbanized areas.



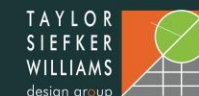
Purpose of the Public Engagement Strategy...

- Assist in the development of the design standards for the overall trail corridor.
- Determine local connections and access goals for the individual communities.
- Identify local amenities and design considerations specific to the individual communities.



Visioning Sketchbook...

- Completed in 2021 to establish a preliminary **long-term vision** for the Monon South Rail Line and how it would interface with local communities along its route.
- The intent is to use the ideas generated in the sketchbook to generate **design standards** and **preliminary design** for the trail.



Visioning Sketchbook...

The Visioning Sketchbook included:

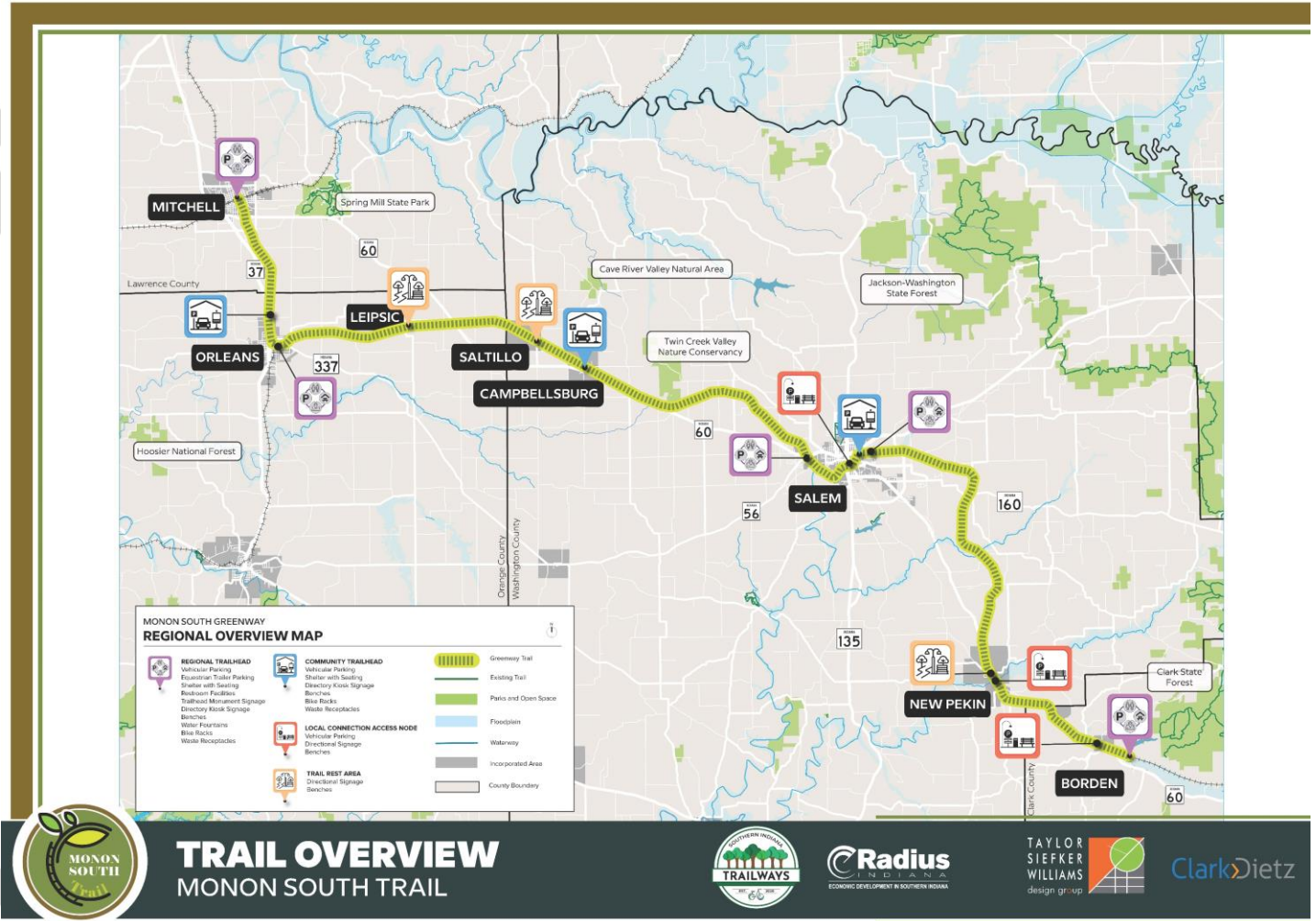
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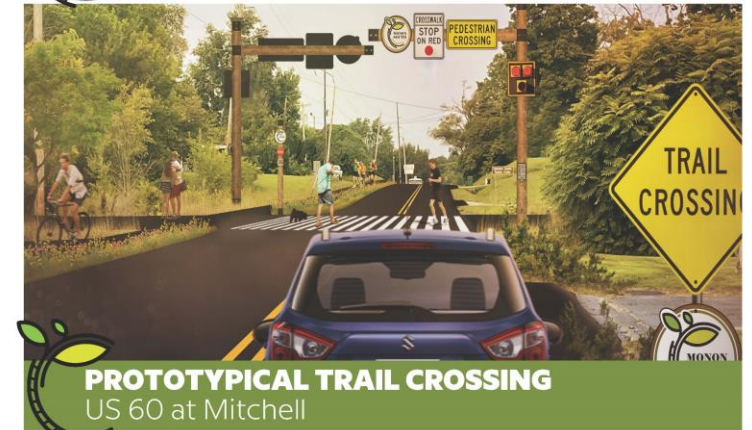
LOCATION MAP

Monon South Greenway
Mitchell Segment



CONCEPT SITE PLAN

Mitchell Monon Landing

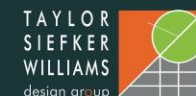


PROTOTYPICAL TRAIL CROSSING

US 60 at Mitchell



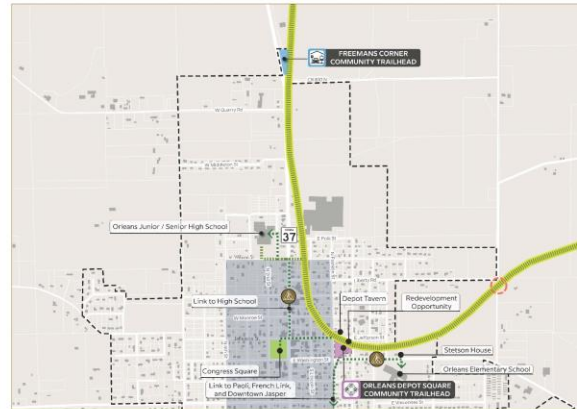
MITCHELL, INDIANA
MONON SOUTH TRAIL



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LOCATION MAP
Monon South Greenway
Orleans Segment

LEGEND - COMMUNITY MAP	
	Regional Trailhead
	Community Trailhead
	Local/Neighborhood Access Node
	Trail Head
	City/Town Limits
	County Boundary
	Planning Unit
	Proposed Pedestrian Connection
	Proposed Trail Connection
	Existing Trail
	Park and Open Space
	Parkland
	Waterway
	Highway/Street
	Proposed/Existing Building
	Shade Tree
	Existing Pedestrian Path
	Bike Lane
	Bike Parking



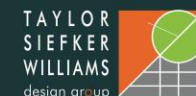
PROTOTYPICAL SKETCH
Freemans Corner Trailhead



CONCEPT SITE PLAN
Orleans Depot Square



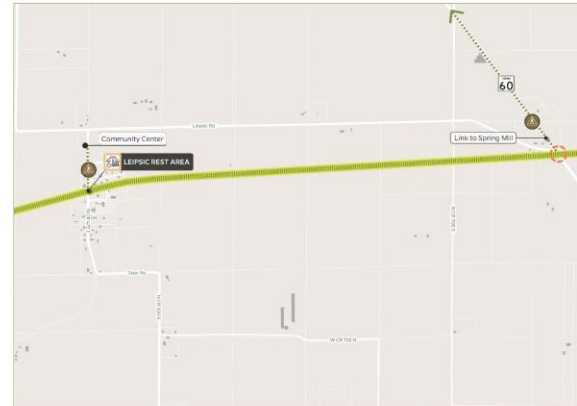
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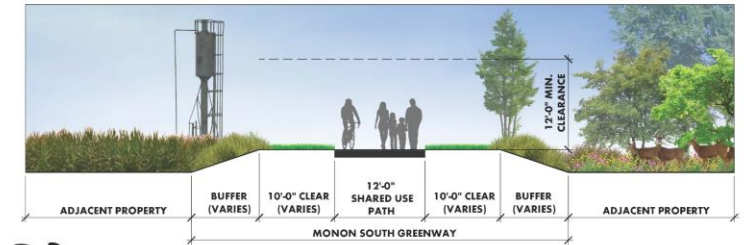
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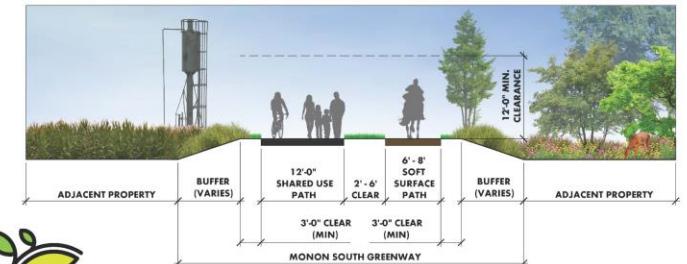
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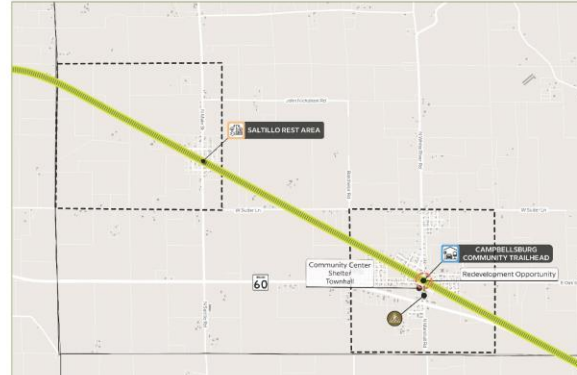
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LOCATION MAP
Monon South Greenway
Saltillo and
Campbellsburg
Segment

LEGEND - COMMUNITY MAP

Regional Trailhead	City/Town Limits	Water
Community Trailhead	County Boundary	Water & Sewer
Local/Community Access Point	Planning Unit	Proposed Improvement
Trail Rest Area	Proposed Pedestrian Connection	Busway Access
	Proposed Trail Connection	Existing Pedestrian Path
	Existing Trail	Existing Street Truck
	Access/Local Open Space	Existing Street Truck
	Proposed	Proposed Street Truck



CONCEPTUAL CORRIDOR AMENITIES
Wayfinding Signage Package



PROTOTYPICAL SKETCH
Campbellsburg Community Trailhead

 **SALTILLO and CAMPBELLSBURG, IN**
MONON SOUTH TRAIL

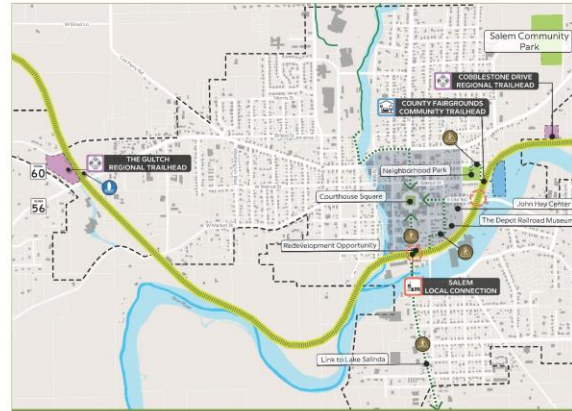
   



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LOCATION MAP

Monon South Greenway
Salem Segment

LEGEND - COMMUNITY MAP



PROTOTYPICAL SKETCH
Salem Gulch Regional Trailhead



PROTOTYPICAL SKETCH
Downtown connection at Main Street



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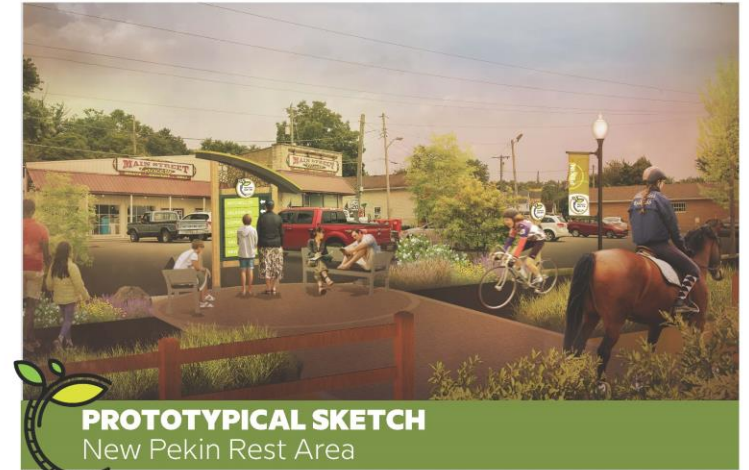
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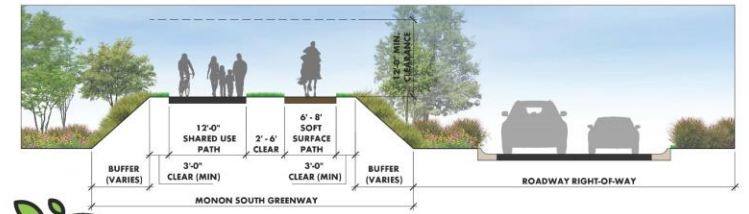
LOCATION MAP

Monon South Greenway
New Pekin Segment

LEGEND - COMMUNITY MAP	
Regional Trailhead	City/Town Limits
Community Trailhead	County Boundary
Local/Unincorporated Area Road	Proposed Pedestrian Connection
Trail Rest Area	Leasing Trail
	Public Open Space
	Parkland
	Waterway
	Proposed/Existing Icon
	Shaded Access
	Existing Pedestrian Path
	Bicycle Route
	Bike and Horse Trail
	Bicycle/Golfing Trail



PROTOTYPICAL SKETCH
New Pekin Rest Area



PROTOTYPICAL CROSS SECTION
Trail with soft-surface option adjacent to roadway



NEW PEKIN, INDIANA
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LOCATION MAP
Monon South Greenway
Borden Segment

LEGEND - COMMUNITY MAP

Regional Trailhead	City/Town Limits	Waterway
Community Trailhead	County Boundary	Public Street
Local/Connector Access Node	Proposed Pedestrian Connection	Proposed/Improvement
Trail Rest Area	Proposed Trail Connection	Shaded Access
	Existing Trail	Existing Pedestrian Path
	Public and Open Space	Water & Storm Water
	Pond/Stream	Existing Utility Trench



PROTOTYPICAL SKETCH
Downtown Borden Monon Promenade



CONCEPT SITE PLAN
Borden Regional Trailhead



BORDEN, INDIANA
MONON SOUTH TRAIL



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- Began to explore character and branding opportunities for the new trail.



TRAILHEAD MONUMENT

DIRECTORY KIOSK



DIRECTIONAL PANEL

TRAIL ID SIGN

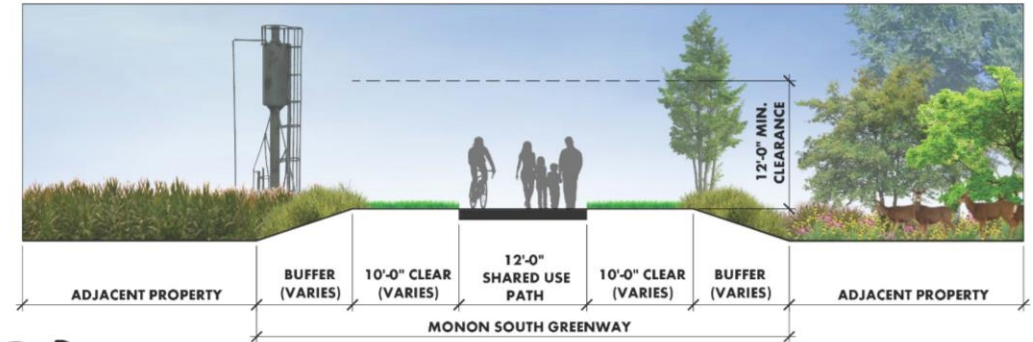
TRAIL GUIDE/ MILE MARKER

INTERPRETIVE SIGN

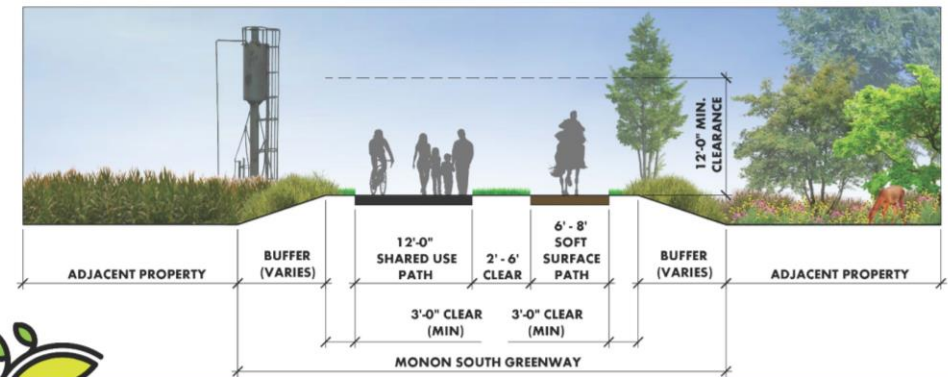


Public Engagement Strategy... Community Workshops- June

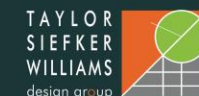
- These first meetings will focus on **physical infrastructure** in the **urbanized areas**.
- May include **trail pavements**, edging, and other details specific to the physical design of the trail surface.
- These workshops will be occurring in June in the local communities.
- Later Community Workshops will focus on **community-specific design issues**, overall character standards, and ancillary standards for the entire corridor.



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ENGAGE WITH US

Monon South Trail



Website



Facebook



SOUTHERN INDIANA TRAILWAYS - Project Information

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southernindianatrailways.org

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MONON SOUTH TRAIL WEBSITE - Future Trail Info.

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ADDITIONAL PROJECT RESOURCES



Andrea Irland



Additional Resources... National Park Service

- Project received support from the National Park Service.
- Will assist in the public engagement discussions with a specific focus on how communities may interact, engage, and activate the trail.
- Will include conveying the many potential benefits of the trail for the communities and region.
- How can communities be engaged in supporting future activation and stewardship of the trail (i.e. creation of a “Friends of the Monon South Trail” group).





OPEN HOUSE INSTRUCTIONS

Ron L. Taylor, FASLA



Open House Instructions...

- **Tonight we transition from VISION to IMPLEMENTATION!**
- Review the vision boards and refresh your memory on the original expectations identified in the Vision Sketchbook.
- Talk to project representatives about your thoughts on the project.
- Participate in the exercise boards to provide some initial guidance to the project team.
- Share your thoughts on the comment cards.
- **WE WANT YOUR INPUT THIS EVENING!!!**





NEXT STEPS

Ryan Hughes, PE- Program Manager

ClarkDietz



Next Steps

- Public Kick off Meeting #2- June 1, 2023, 6:00 pm at the Depot Railroad Museum in Salem.
- **COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS:**
 - June 21-22, 2023, 1:00-5:00 (Tentative)
 - June 28-29, 2023, 1:00-5:00 (Tentative)
- Check out the project website.
- Like us on Facebook!
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JOIN US!

Learn more about the Monon South Trail and provide your input as we create the longest recreational trail in Indiana!

What: Monon South Trail
Public Kick-off Meeting #2
(Washington & Clark Counties)

When: Thursday, June 1, 2023
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Where: The Depot
Railroad Museum
206 S. College Ave. Salem, IN 47167



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