

SALES TAX PROJECTS

Project Number: 9
Project Name: Greenways Master Plan

Total Project Cost: \$19,203,400

Total Project Cost Notes

\$18,703,400 is for Greenway Master Plan Projects.

\$500,000 is for Project #37 (Eastgate Neighborhood Greenspace)

Executive Project Summary:

The Greenways Master Plan goal is two-fold; first, to protect sensitive lands within Leon County, and second, to provide recreational access to these lands. The Master Plan already provides some of the most beautiful and treasured recreational opportunities in the area, and is already a tourism destination for some. In fact, the City is starting to have the nickname "Trailhassee." This project completes the remaining Greenways projects and interconnects them via the Bike Route system for a complete Countywide system.

Actions Taken by the Committee:

March 28, 2013: Moved the project to a second round for consideration.

April 26, 2013, Moved the project to Priority Level 1.

June 13, 2013, Moved the project to Tier 1.

September 26, 2013: Moved Project #37 (Lake Lafayette Basin Improvements/Floodplain Protection and Eastgate Neighborhood Park/Greenspace) out of Project #49 (Water Quality/Stormwater Funding) (Tier 1), and to Project #9 (Implement Greenways Master Plan) (Tier 2). The Committee also noted that the money allocated for the Project #9 (Implement Greenways Master Plan) is to be a minimum level of funding.

Themes

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Detail Project Description

The greenways included in this project are outlined in Attachment #1.

A full description of Project #37 can be found in Tab #37.

Cost By Themes

	Regional Mobility/Transportation
	Sense of Community
	Environmental/Water Quality
\$19,203,400	Connectivity
	Economic Vitality
	Ecotourism/Parks
	Vertical Infrastructure
	Gateways

Revised Costs for Greenway Master Plan Projects

GREENWAY PROJECT	EST. COST
Dr. Charles Billings Greenway	\$730,800
Southwood Greenway	\$1,080,200
Buck Lake Greenway	\$1,797,600
Centerville Greenway	\$1,484,400
I-10 Greenway	\$1,528,800
Killearn Greenway	\$417,000
St. Marks Connector Trail	\$442,800
San Luis Greenway	\$553,800
Lake Ella Connector Trail	\$169,200
Tram Road Greenway	\$997,200
Bradford Brook Chain of Lakes Greenway	\$1,201,200
Fern Trail	\$126,720
Goose Pond Trail	\$568,080
Campbell Pond Greenway	\$1,774,800
Black Swamp Greenway	\$223,200
Southwest Sector Greenway	\$994,800
Meridian Greenway	\$1,612,800
Phipps Greenway	\$756,000
Ft. Braden Greenway	\$660,000
Thomasville Road Greenway	\$979,200
FAMU Greenway	\$604,800
Eastgate Neighborhood Park/Greenspace (Project #37)	\$500,000
TOTAL	\$19,203,400

Greenways Included in Other Sales Tax Projects	EST. COST
Capital Circle SW Greenway - Project #1	\$2,155,200
University Greenway - Project #2	\$1,936,800
Northwest Greenway - Project #10	\$1,154,000
Lafayette Greenway - Project #11	\$10,316,640
Pine Flats Greenway - Project #12	\$4,933,200
Timberlane Greenway - Project 14	\$484,800
Bannerman Trail - Project #26	\$1,777,200
Lake Jackson Greenway (Okeeheepkee Trail) - Project #44	\$109,200
TOTAL	\$22,867,040

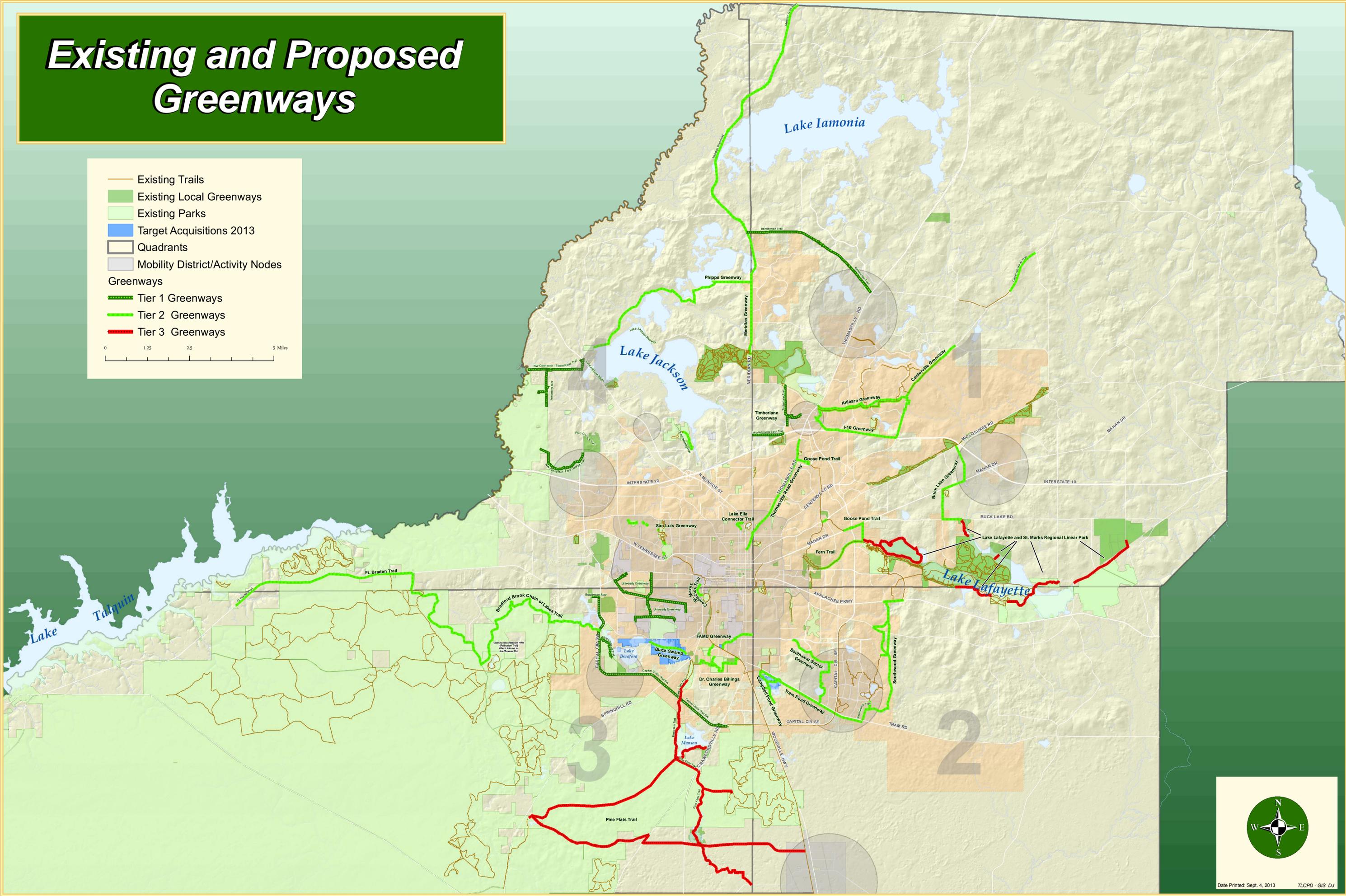
Total Cost to implement the 2013 Tallahassee-Leon County
Greenway Master Plan

\$42,070,440

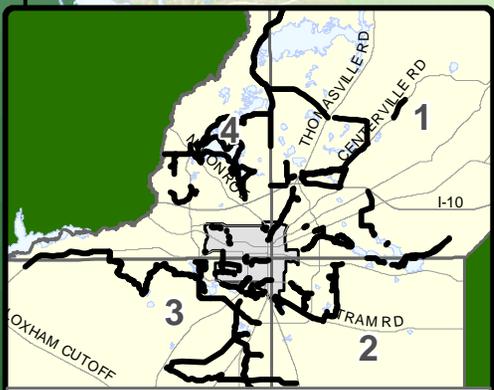
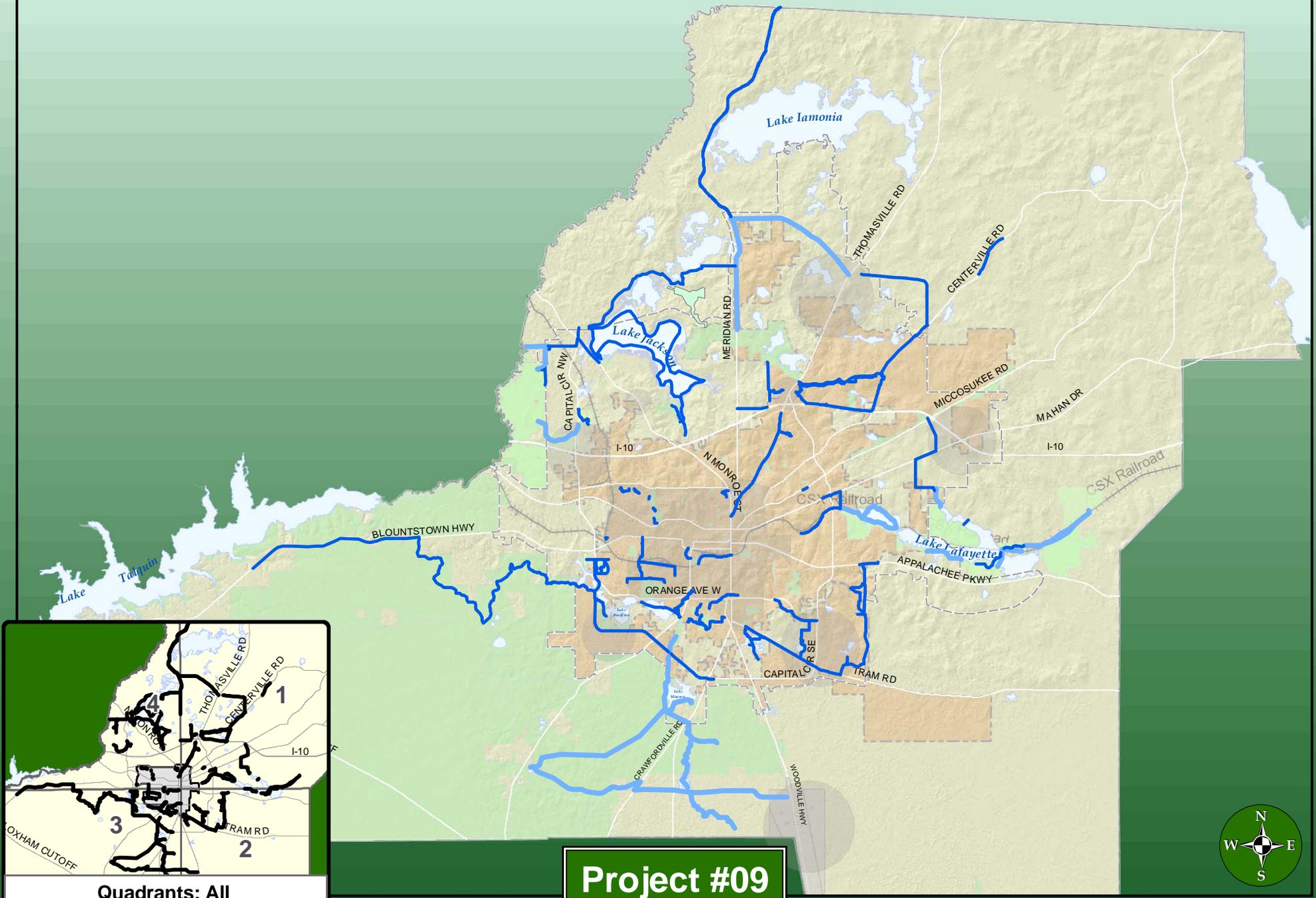
Revised project costs denoted in yellow

Existing and Proposed Greenways

-  Existing Trails
 -  Existing Local Greenways
 -  Existing Parks
 -  Target Acquisitions 2013
 -  Quadrants
 -  Mobility District/Activity Nodes
- Greenways
-  Tier 1 Greenways
 -  Tier 2 Greenways
 -  Tier 3 Greenways



Implement Greenways Master Plan



Quadrants: All

Project #09



Previous Project Information for:

Project #9

Implement Greenways Master Plan

Note: Based on direction from the Committee at the March 28, 2013 Sales Tax Committee meeting, below is a list of previous project(s) that were merged or modified to create a holistic project for the Committee's consideration.

Project Name: Connecting the Community: Implement the Greenways Master Plan (*Previously Project #17*)

Greenway Connections Timberlane Ravine to Klapp-Phipps Overstreet Park (*Previously Project #4*)

Meridian Road Greenway (*Previously Project #53*)

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Connecting the Community: Implement the Greenways Master Plan

Estimated Cost:
\$16.5 million

WHAT IS IT?

The Greenways Master Plan goal is two-fold; first, to protect sensitive lands within Leon County, and second, to provide recreational access to these lands. The Master Plan already provides some of the most beautiful and treasured recreational opportunities in the area, and is already a tourism destination for some. In fact, the City is starting to have the nickname “Trailhassee.” This project completes the remaining Greenways projects and interconnects them via the Bike Route system for a complete Countywide system.

Evaluation Criteria:

Provides Regional Impact / Geographic Equity ✓
Enhances Mobility ✓
Supports Recreation and Quality of Life ✓

Benefits the Environment ✓
Supports Economic Development / Revitalization ✓
On an Existing Master Plan or Blueprint List ✓
Leverages Other Funds ✓



Our Greenways Master Plan seeks to protect sensitive lands within Leon County & to provide recreational access to these lands.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

Benefits the Environment – Implementation of the Greenways Master Plan would benefit the environment by enhancing and protecting our community’s natural resources.

Provides Regional Impact / Geographic Equity – The proposed greenways system extends throughout all areas of our community and all Leon County citizens benefit from having locally accessible recreational opportunities.

Enhances Mobility – A well-connected system of greenways and trails provides mobility options for meeting personal transportation needs and recreational interests. As part of the multimodal transportation network, greenways and trails serve an important function beyond recreation as the trails surrounding Florida State University and the Downtown area demonstrate. Off-road facilities provide choices for residents, visitors and their families as they travel throughout Leon County.

Supports Recreation and Quality of Life – Planned greenways projects enhance quality of life through conservation and enhancement of the local environment and provision of outdoor recreational opportunities.

Supports Economic Development / Revitalization – Expansion of the greenways network promotes economic development opportunities for the local economy as residents from the Big Bend region visit Leon County to experience “Trailhassee” and the natural attractions created by the Greenways system.

On an Existing Master Plan or Blueprint List – The first Tallahassee-Leon County Greenways Master Plan was adopted by the Commissions in 2004. Several projects are included in the Regional Mobility Plan as well as the Mobility District Plan.

Leverages Other Funds – The Greenways system provides access to properties purchased under the Florida Forever Program, which is a state funded program to buy environmentally sensitive lands. The Florida Forever Program has not been funded by the State in recent years due to budget constraints. However, numerous parcels have been purchased in the past and would benefit from access provided by new Greenways.



The Bicycle Route System Plan is overlaid onto the Greenways System Plan to provide countywide parks & greenways connectivity.

Proposed Dr. Charles Billings Greenway Trail - Improvements

Implement the Greenways Master Plan

The following projects are included in the 2012 Greenways Master Plan update. The Master Plan is a Countywide document, therefore both City and County Greenways are shown.

Greenway Project	Miles	Improvements	Estimate
Projects			
Dr. Charles Billings Greenway	2	Designation of bike routes, paved trail, signage, and three trail crossings	\$525,000
Southwood Greenway	6	Paved trail, signage, and three trail crossings	\$1,506,000
Buck Lake Greenway	4	Paved trail, signage, and three trail crossings	\$1,006,000
Welaunee Arch Greenway	10	Crushed rock trail and signage	\$1,000,000
Centerville Greenway	3.5	Crushed rock trail and signage	\$350,000
I-10 Greenway	2	Paved trail, signage, and three trail crossings	\$756,000
Killearn – Maclay Greenway (Killearney Way)	3	Paved trail and signage	\$750,000
St. Marks Connector Greenway (Gamble to Lake Bradford/Gaines)	0.3	Paved trail, trailhead, and signage	\$100,000
San Luis Greenway	0.3	Designation of several existing streets as bike routes, crushed rock trail, signage, and a pedestrian bridge	\$75,000
Midtown – Lake Ella Connector Trail	0.2	Paved trail, trail crossing, and signage	\$75,000
Tram Road Greenway	2.5	Paved trail, trail crossing, and signage	\$630,000
Bradford Brook Chain of Lakes Greenway	13.5	Crushed rock trail, two trailheads, signage	\$1,400,000
Lake Jackson North Greenway	6.3	Paved trail, signage	\$1,575,000
Fern Trail	1.6	Existing trail (non-paved), signage, boardwalk under CapCirNE adjacent to CSX RR line, crossing at Weems Rd.	\$100,000
Goose Pond Trail (Thomasville Road to Apalachee Parkway)	1.7	Paved trail, signage, and two trail crossings	\$430,000
Karst Ponds Greenway	3	Crushed rock trail, signage, land acquisition	\$1,500,000
Red Hills – Cody Scarp Scenic Byway	100	Designation of bike routes, signage	\$100,000
Colin English Greenway	5	Paved trail, signage	\$1,250,000
Meridian Greenway	13.6	Paved trail, signage	\$3,400,000
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Greenway included in Capital Circle SW Proposed Sales Tax Extension Project			
Capital Circle SW Greenway	8	Paved trail, signage, and two trail crossings	
Greenways included in Leon County Proposed Sales Tax Extension Projects			
NE Connector Corridor Greenway (Deer Lake to Bull Headley Park)	1	Paved trail and signage	
NE Connector Corridor Greenway (Summerbrooke to Bannerman)	1	Paved trail and signage. May also require some land acquisition.	
NE Connector Corridor Greenway (Bannerman)	4.8	Paved trail, trail crossing, and signage	
Lake Jackson Enhancement Greenway	0.3	Crushed rock trail, trailhead, and signage	
Northwest Connector Corridor Greenway (Ochlockonee Valley Greenway)	5.5	Paved trail, trail crossing, and signage	
Westside Student Corridor Greenway (Education Quadrant Greenways)	1	Designation of several existing streets as bike routes, paved trail, signage	
Pine Flats Trail/Lake Munson Greenway (tie-in to Capital Cascade Greenway)	11.6	Crushed rock trail, six trail crossings, signage	
Apalachee - Lafayette Greenway/Lake Lafayette - St. Marks Linear Regional Park	3.5	3.5 mi. crushed rock trail, 1.4 mi. boardwalk, signage	
Market District Activity Center Connector Greenway (Timberlane Greenway)	2	Paved trail and signage – also requires trail easements	

Proposed Dr. Charles Billings Greenway Land Acquisition for Flood Control, Greenways and Parks



Significant public investment has already been made in the Greenways System through land acquisitions from both local funds, and the Florida Forever Program.

Blueprint 2000

Proposed Sales Tax Projects

Project Name: Greenway Connections Timberlane Ravine to Klapp-Phipps Overstreet Park
(Blueprint 2000 Map 5A)

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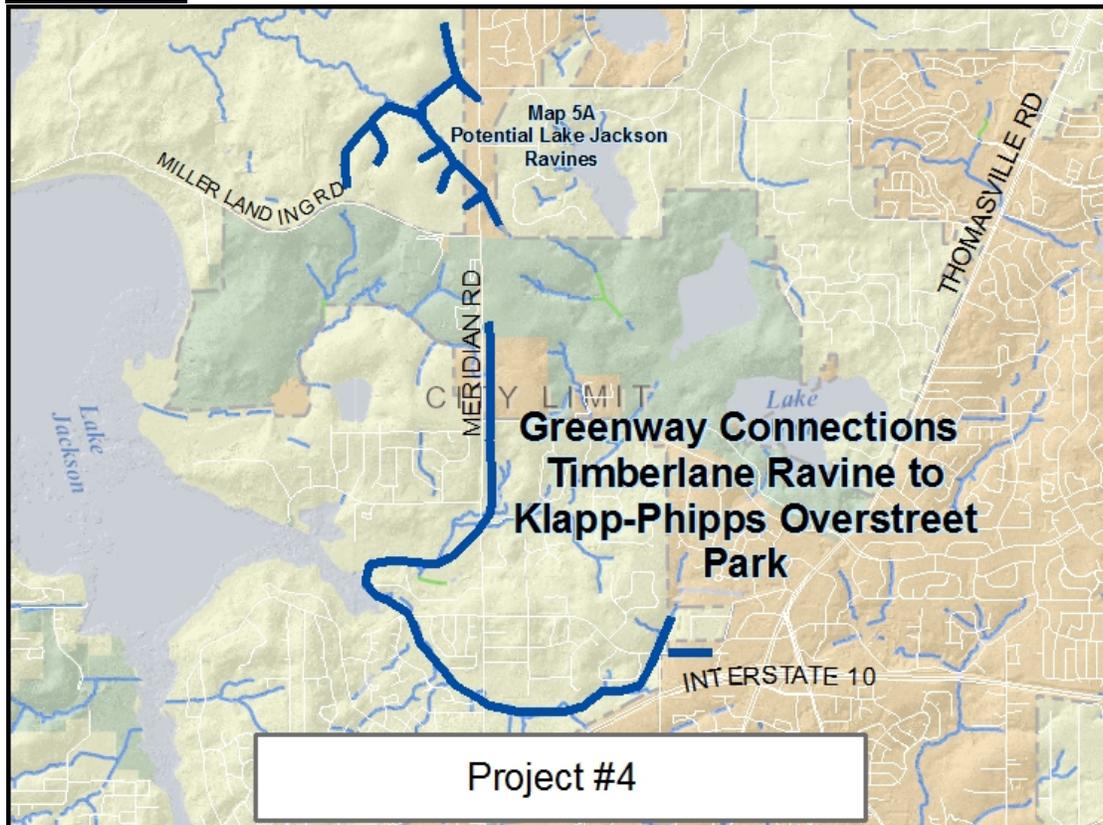
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Project Description:

The primary feature of this project is the extension of the regional greenway system which will provide functional bicycle and pedestrian linkages between Bannerman Road and the Timberlane Ravine. Acquisitions of additional ravine systems, greenways and open space associated with Lake Jackson are also proposed, which would enhance the lake's economic and recreational value. Trail crossings will be necessary and should maintain the character of the canopy road. Greenway connections in the area of Meridian Road shall use existing easements, dedications, and public-owned rights-of-way to the greatest extent feasible. However, new public access easements for critical greenway connections may be acquired.

This project also includes bicycle and pedestrian access to the open space portion of the Okeeheepkee Prairie site from North Monroe and the proposed Lake Jackson Greenway which will connect the Prairie to the Lake Jackson Mounds State Park.

Project Map:



Proposed Sales Tax Projects by the Community

Project Name: Meridian Road Greenway (Project #53)

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Project Description:

The proposed Meridian Greenway would be a shared use path for bicyclists, hikers, and other non-motorized users. The Greenway is intended to connect the Timberlane Greenway on its southern terminus north to Elinor Klapp-Phipps Park, Alfred B. Maclay Gardens State Park, the planned Orchard Pond Greenway, and continue to the Georgia state line.

This greenway trail will connect many residential areas to these greenways which are currently not accessible except by automobiles and other vehicles. It will run parallel to Meridian Road, which is a protected canopy road in Leon County and cannot be widened. The Northeast Connector Corridor project, proposed by the County, contains a segment of this larger proposed greenway trail.

Project Map:

