



La Crosse Area Planning Committee

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DATE: **May 3, 2024**
TO: **Committee on Transit and Active Transportation**
FROM: **Erin Duffer, LAPC Staff**
SUBJECT: **May 9, 2024, Committee Meeting Notice**

The meeting of the Committee on Transit and Active Transportation will be held on **Thursday, May 9, 2024, at 3:30 p.m. in person in Room 2106 and as a virtual meeting.** If you cannot attend in person, please use the information provided below to join the Teams meeting.

1. Approval of the [minutes](#) of the January 11, 2024, CTAT meeting.
2. Recommendation to approve Supporting the Designation of the Mississippi River Trail (MRT) Within the Limits of LAPC's Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA).
3. Presentation and discussion with Drift Share Inc.'s President, Jacob Sciammas.
4. Metropolitan Transportation Plan community survey review.
5. Other updates and information items:
 - a) Update: City of La Crosse Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan.
 - b) Update: TAP Applications and WisDOT Project Ready Federal Redistribution Applications.
 - c) Update: Safe Streets 4 All planning grant application.
 - d) Update: TCMC service, now known as Borealis.
 - e) Reminder: AARP & 1000 Friends of Wisconsin hosting [Making Connections in La Crosse](#) event on May 30, 2024.
 - f) Committee member updates.
6. Future agenda items.
7. Adjourn, next meeting TBA.

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Minutes of the Committee on Transit and Active Transportation, January 11, 2024, Meeting

Minutes of the meeting of the CTAT held in-person and as a virtual meeting on Teams on Thursday, January 11, 2024, at 3:30 pm.

Members Present: Bridget Brown, Jim Longhurst, Jenna Dinkel, Ken Harwood, Krista Heinz, Jim Krueger, Jason Ludwigson, Jenny Morris, Francis Schelfhout, Paula Silha, Cathy Van Maren, Kurt Wayne, Staff and Others
Present: Charlie Handy, Kathleen Stewart, Andrew Ericson, Chris Stindt, Bob Gollnik, and Erin Duffer.

Erin Duffer called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

1) Approval of minutes of the November 9, 2023 CTAT Meeting:

Jim Krueger motioned to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2023, meeting; Ken Harwood seconded. All were in favor.

2) Ranking of WisDOT Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Applications:

Informational presentations for each of the TAP applications were provided to the committee for consideration:

- Avon Street Greenway: Jenna Dinkel, City of La Crosse, provided an overview of the greenway project and fielded questions. Total project cost is \$1.2 million.
- King Street Greenway: Jenna Dinkel, City of La Crosse, provided an overview of the greenway project and fielded questions. Total project cost is \$750,000.
- Willow Trail Resiliency Project: Jenna Dinkel, City of La Crosse, provided an overview of proposed Willow Trail improvements. Total project cost is \$1.05 million.
- Safe Routes to School Program – La Crosse County: Nicolette Kvam, La Crosse County Health Educator, presented updates on the SRTS program activities in the County and goals for an upcoming grant request. Total project cost is \$503k.
- Town of Holland: Erin Duffer (LAPC) and Bob Stupi (Town of Holland) described the Town of Holland application for Phase 1 and Phase 2 (separate applications) of the County Road MH Multiuse Trail and fielded questions. Total project cost for Phase 1 is \$1.0 million, and Phase 2 is \$860k.
- Village of Holmen: On behalf of Holmen, Erin Duffer (LAPC) presented information regarding Phase 2 of the Holland Bluff Trail, a paving project to expand on Phase 1 activities for the trail. Total project cost is \$354k.

Erin Duffer distributed ranking materials and described the previously agreed-upon ranking criteria. Regional priorities decided by the group include Safety (20 points), Mobility (10 points), Accessibility (10 points), Connectivity (10 points), and Equity (10 points) and the WisDOT Ranking Criteria. Committee members discussed areas of clarification among project specifics and are to submit individual rankings to Erin.

Erin explained the next steps of submitting rankings to WisDOT, and projects will then be ranked independently through WisDOT's internal processes.

3) Other updates and information items:

Erin Duffer gave an update on MTP planning efforts, including planning around outreach for active transportation users.

Erin Duffer reminded attendees of Transit Equity Days (TED) the week of January 29th, 2024. The official day of recognition is February 4, Rosa Parks' birthday. Erin said that if anyone is interested in more information for local events to please reach out.

4) Future agenda items:

Future agenda items will include a Mississippi River Trail (MRT) update, LAPC MTP update, and local updates from municipalities.

5) Adjourn; Next meeting TBA:

Jim Krueger motioned to adjourn at 5:04 pm; Krista Heinz seconded. All were in favor.

DRAFT

La Crosse Area Planning Committee

RESOLUTION 3 – 2024

SUPPORTING THE

DESIGNATION OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER TRAIL WITHIN THE LIMITS OF LAPC'S METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA (MPA)

WHEREAS, bicycle tourism is a growing industry in North America, contributing \$47 billion a year to the economies of communities that provide facilities for such tourists; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi River Trail is a national bicycle route, along the length of the Mississippi River, through ten states, from the headwaters at Lake Itasca to the Gulf of Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi River Trail was designated as one of only 16 National Millennium Trails which honor the past and imagine the future by preserving and commemorating major events and aspects of America's history and culture; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi River Trail provides access to and promotes the scenic, historic, archaeological, cultural, recreational and natural qualities of the Mississippi River and its amenities; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi River Trail is located primarily on the Wisconsin All-American Great River Road National Scenic Byway (WIS 35) between Prescott and Illinois State Line, but also routed on other state and county highways, local roads or alternative routes for bicycling; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Mississippi River Parkway Commission and the La Crosse Area Planning Committee, with the cooperation of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and other stakeholders, have proposed a specific route to be designated as Mississippi River Trail; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi River Trail implements Wisconsin Statutes Chapters 1.11, 84.01(35), 84.60, and 85.02, 349.23 and Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter Trans 400 which required that "due consideration to establishing bikeways and pedestrian ways in all new highway construction and reconstruction projects"; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi River Trail adds value to existing roads and trails; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi River Trail is largely ready to sign and market, and many suggested improvements are already planned; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi River Trail will contribute to sustainable economic development in 33 Wisconsin Mississippi River communities; and

WHEREAS, the proposed route for the Mississippi River Trail comes through the Metropolitan Planning Area and can therefore provide a benefit to our residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi River Trail will provide increased recreational and transportation choices for individuals to enjoy the outdoors as well as provide health, economic, and quality of life benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi River Trail continues Wisconsin's tradition of honoring and enhancing the Mississippi River by offering multiple bicycling experiences, each in a unique river landscape; and

WHEREAS, we have investigated the proposed route and found it to be a suitable route, and desire that the route be designated so that it can be mapped and signed, thereby promoting bicycle tourism in our area; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse Area Planning Committee in order to receive full benefit of the Mississippi River Trail, hereby expresses its approval and support for the development of the Mississippi River Trail, and requests that the appropriate officials see to it that the route is officially designated along the following segments within the limits of the Metropolitan Planning Area:

SOUTHBOUND: Great River State Trail from the north Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) boundary south to the Great River Landing at the intersection of WIS 35/2nd Avenue South and WIS 157/Main Street, proceed east on WIS 157/Main Street to the intersection with 3rd Avenue South, turn right and continue south on 3rd Avenue South to the intersection with Oak Avenue South, continue straight and south on Oak Avenue South to the intersection with Oak Forest Drive, turn right and continue west on Oak Forest Drive to the intersection with WIS 35/2nd Avenue South, continue west through the intersection and turn left to enter the multi-use path along the west side of WIS 35, continue south on the multi-use path along the west side of WIS 35 to the intersection with Livingston Street, turn left and continue east on Livingston Street to the intersection with Avon Street, turn right and continue south on Avon Street to the intersection with Monitor Street, turn left and continue east on Monitor Street approximately 500-feet to the intersection with the Jim Asfoor, La Crosse River Marsh Trail, turn right and continue southwest on the Jim Asfoor, La Crosse River Marsh Trail to the intersection with the Vietnam Veterans, La Crosse River Marsh Trail, turn right and continue west on the Vietnam Veterans, La Crosse River Marsh Trail to the intersection with Veterans Memorial Drive, turn right and continue south on Veterans Memorial Drive to the intersection with La Crosse River Walk, turn right and continue south on La Crosse River Walk to the intersection with Front Street/King Street, stay straight and continue east on King Street to the intersection with 2nd Street, turn right and continue south on 2nd Street to the intersection with Market Street, turn right on Market Street and continue west on Market Street until it ends, stay straight and continue south on Houska Park Trail to the intersection with Marco Drive, turn left and continue east on the trail/bridge to the intersection with Cook Street, turn right and continue south and east on the trail until the trail splits, turn right and continue east on the trail to the intersection with Maple Street, stay straight and continue east on Maple Street to the intersection with West Avenue, turn right and continue south on West Avenue to the intersection with Bennett Street, turn left and continue east on Bennett Street to the intersection with 13th Street, turn right and continue south on 13th Street to the intersection with Chase Street/Riverside Drive, stay straight and continue south on Riverside Drive to the intersection with Thompson Street, turn left and continue east on Thompson Street to the intersection with 15th Street, turn right and continue south on 15th Street to the intersection with Gladys Street, turn slight left and continue south and east on Gladys Street to the intersection with East Avenue, turn right and continue south on East Avenue to the intersection with Shelby Road, stay straight and continue south on East Avenue/Bank Drive to the intersection with East Burr Oak Street, turn left and continue east on East Burr Oak Street to the intersection with Markle Road, turn right and continue south on Markle Road to the intersection with South Richard Drive, turn left and continue east on South Richard Drive to the intersection with Robin Hood Drive, turn right and continue southeast on Robin Hood Drive to the intersection with Nottingham Avenue, turn right and continue south on Nottingham Avenue to the intersection with Scarlett Drive, turn left and continue east on Scarlett Drive to the intersection with Regional Route 1/Pammel Creek Bridge, turn right and

continues south on Regional Route 1/Pammel Creek Bridge to the intersection with Rivercrest Drive North, turn left and continue south on Rivercrest Drive North to the intersection with 33rd Street South, turn left and continue east on 33rd Street South to the intersection with WIS 35/Mormon Coulee Road, turn right on the multi-use path along the west side of WIS 35/Mormon Coulee Road and continue south on the multi-use path to the intersection with County Trunk Highway (CTH) GI, stay straight and continue south on WIS 35 to the south MPA boundary.

NORTHBOUND: WIS 35 from the south MPA boundary north to the intersection with CTH GI, stay straight and continue north on the multi-use path along the west side of WIS 35/Mormon Coulee Road to the intersection with 33rd Street South, turn left and continue west on 33rd Street South to the intersection with Rivercrest Drive North, turn right and continue north on Rivercrest Drive North to the intersection with Regional Route 1/Pammel Creek Bridge, turn right and continue north on Regional Route 1/Pammel Creek Bridge to the intersection with Scarlett Drive, turn left and continue west on Scarlett Drive to the intersection with Nottingham Avenue, turn right and continue north on Nottingham Avenue to the intersection with Robin Hood Drive, turn left and continue northwest on Robin Hood Drive to the intersection with South Richard Drive, turn left and continue west on South Richard Drive to the intersection with Markle Road, turn right and continue north on Markle Road to the intersection with East Burr Oak Street, turn left and continue west on East Burr Oak Street to the intersection with Bank Drive, turn right and continue north on Bank Drive/East Avenue South to the intersection with Shelby Road, stay straight and continue north on East Avenue to the intersection with Gladys Street, turn left and continue north and west on Gladys Street to the intersection with 15th Street, turn slight right and continue north on 15th Street to the intersection with Thompson Street, turn left and continue west on Thompson Street to the intersection with Riverside Drive, turn right and continue north on Riverside Drive to the intersection with Chase Street/13th Street, stay straight and continue north on 13th Street to the intersection with Bennett Street, turn left and continue west on Bennett Street to the intersection with West Avenue, turn right and continue north on West Avenue to the intersection with Maple Street, turn left and continue west on Maple Street until it ends, stay straight and continue west on the trail until the trail splits, turn left and continue north and west on the trail to the intersection with Cook Street, turn left and continue west on the trail/bridge to the intersection with Marco Drive, turn right and continue north on Houska Park Trail to the intersection with Market Street, stay straight and continue east on Market Street to the intersection with 2nd Street, turn left and continue north on 2nd Street to the intersection with King Street, turn left and continue west on King Street to the intersection with Front Street/La Crosse River Walk, turn right and continue north on La Crosse River Walk to the intersection with Veterans Memorial Drive, turn left and continue north on Veterans Memorial Drive to the intersection with Vietnam Veterans, La Crosse River Marsh Trail, turn left and continue east on Vietnam Veterans, La Crosse River Marsh Trail to the intersection with the Jim Asfoor, La Crosse River Marsh Trail, turn left and continue northeast on the Jim Asfoor, La Crosse River Marsh Trail to the intersection with Monitor Street, turn left and continue west on Monitor Street to the intersection with Avon Street, turn right and continue north on Avon Street to the intersection with Livingston Street, turn left and continue west on Livingston Street to the intersection with WIS 35, cross WIS 35 to the multi-use path along the west side of WIS 35, turn right on the multi-use path along the west side of WIS 35 and continue north on the path to the intersection with Oak Forest Drive, turn right and continue east on Oak Forest Drive to the intersection with Oak Avenue South, turn left and continue north on Oak Avenue South to the intersection with 3rd Avenue South, continue straight and north on 3rd Avenue South to the intersection with WIS 157/Main Street, turn left and continue west on WIS 157/Main Street to the intersection with WIS 35/2nd Avenue South, proceed west to the Great River Landing on the west side of this intersection, turn right and continue north on the Great River State Trail to the north MPA boundary.

(See attached map)

LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE

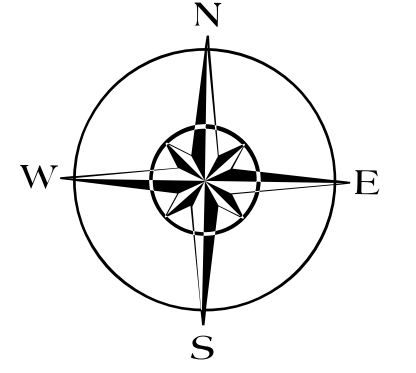
Patrick Barlow, Chair

Bob Gollnik, Executive Director

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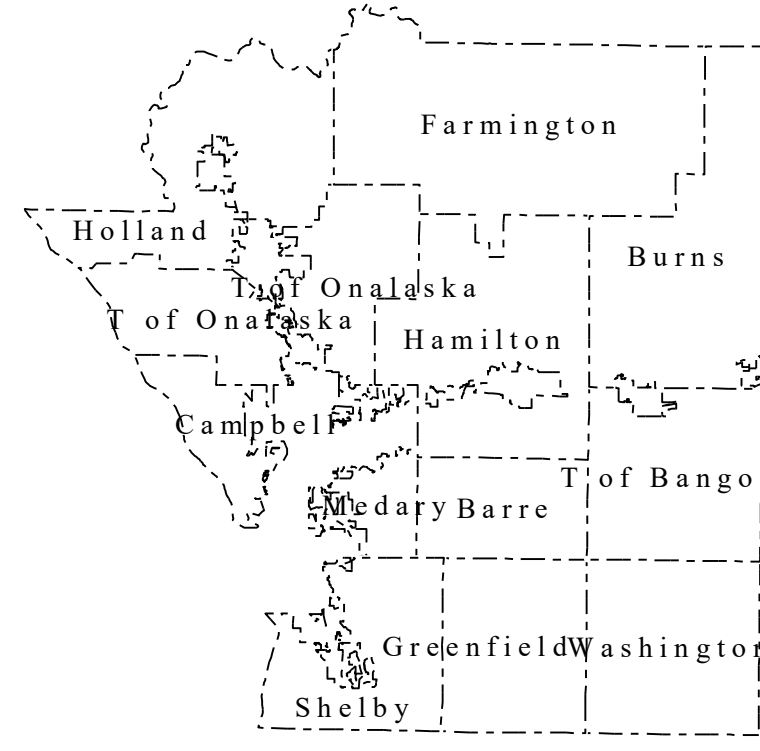
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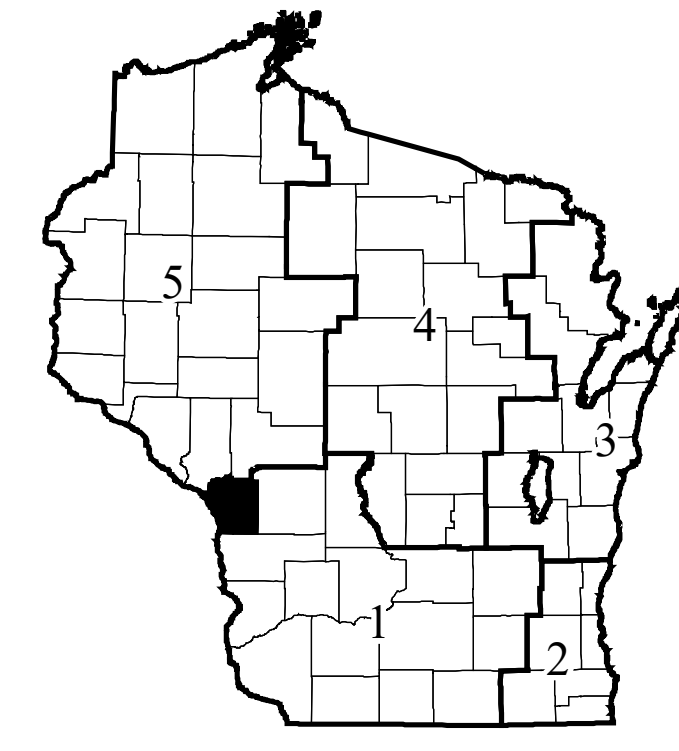


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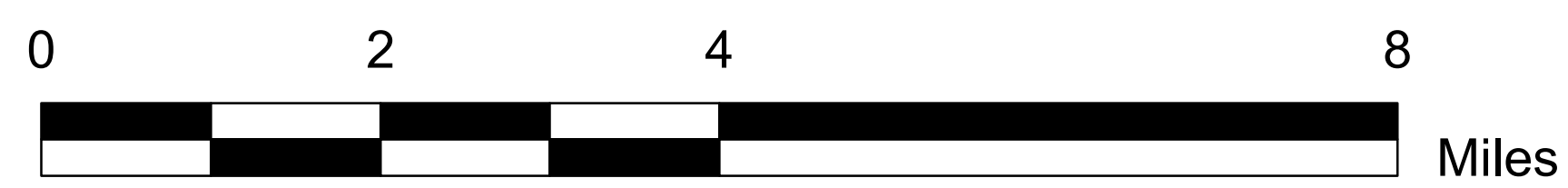


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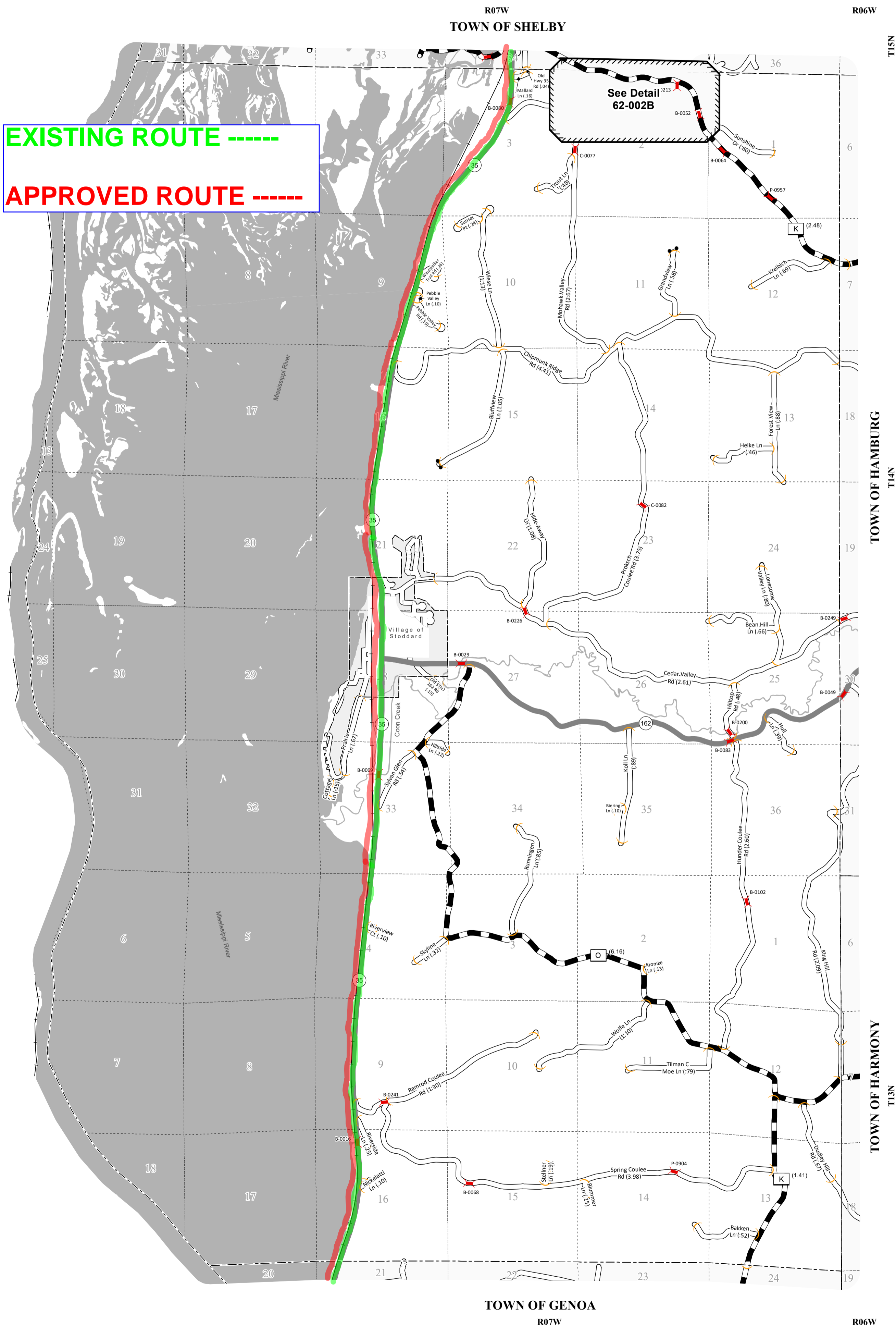
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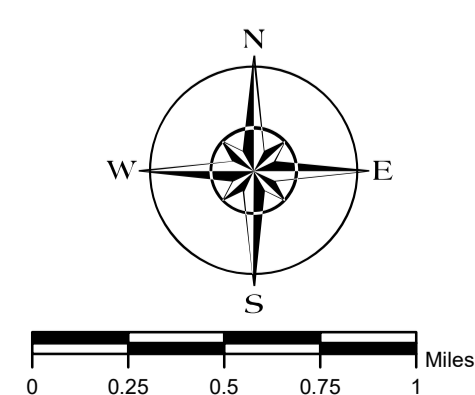
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
May 1, 2024

Introducing Amtrak *Borealis* trains with Expanded Service between St. Paul and Chicago via Milwaukee

New passenger train arrivals and departures in a partnership with Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois

ST. PAUL, Minn., and CHICAGO – Tickets are now available for a second daily Amtrak service between the Twin Cities and Chicago, via Milwaukee: new state-sponsored [Borealis](#) trains originate from St. Paul at midday and from Chicago in the late morning. Travelers seeking a more comfortable, sustainable and productive choice than driving will have double the current rail options, starting May 21, 2024.



Amtrak *Borealis* coach fares start at \$41 each way between St.

Paul and Chicago for adults, with [everyday discounts](#) for children ages 2-12, [students](#), seniors, veterans, military personnel and families, groups, and others.

Amtrak *Borealis* trains will offer Coach and Business Class in addition to a café car featuring regional items. Customers will enjoy wide reclining seats with ample legroom, no middle seats, free Wi-Fi, and views of the Mississippi River between St. Paul and La Crosse, Wisc., in daylight in both directions across Wisconsin.

The trains will make the current [Empire Builder](#) stops between St. Paul and Milwaukee and [Hiawatha](#) stops between Milwaukee and Chicago (see schedule below and attached). Another benefit of the Amtrak *Borealis* service is a new eastbound Amtrak origination from Ramsey County's Union Depot in St. Paul.

“A second daily passenger rail service connecting St. Paul to Chicago via Milwaukee is a welcome addition to our transportation system, providing more choices and travel flexibility for passengers,” said [Commissioner Nancy Daubenberger](#), Minnesota Department of Transportation. “We appreciate our partnerships with communities, federal, state and local governments, the host railroad CPKC, and Amtrak that were needed to get this service on-track,

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and to provide another safe, reliable transportation option. We look forward to continuing these partnerships as we work toward further building out passenger rail options in the Midwest.”

“This route includes eight stations in Wisconsin, and doubling the frequency of the service will better connect the many businesses, universities and tourist attractions along this corridor,” [WisDOT Secretary Craig Thompson](#) said. “This expansion is thanks to the work WisDOT was able to do together with Minnesota, Illinois and Amtrak, as well as the opportunities provided by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. We will continue to work with federal and state partners to explore more passenger rail options in Wisconsin.”

“We are proud to collaborate with neighboring states and our federal partners to offer more Amtrak service in the Midwest,” said [Illinois Transportation Secretary Omer Osman](#). “Ensuring passenger rail that’s safe, reliable and accessible is one of the many reasons Illinois continues to distinguish itself as the transportation hub of North America under Gov. JB Pritzker.”

The new service is sponsored by the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois. Amtrak now operates 29 state-supported routes with 18 state partners.

“Through the Federal Railroad Administration’s [Corridor Identification Program](#) we are working with grantees on dozens of other possible new Amtrak routes,” said [President Roger Harris](#). “Thanks to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, interest from state transportation departments and others for new or expanded Amtrak service across the country is at an all-time high.”

“This is a win for passenger rail expansion in America, and more importantly, it’s a win for a growing number of Americans who rely on passenger rail and benefit from it,” said [Federal Railroad Administrator Amit Bose](#). “Investments in rail have long helped Midwesterners and the region’s economy, and this new service will mean additional access for people traveling between Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois while contributing to economic growth.

“The Federal Railroad Administration applauds the strong partnership between the states and Amtrak, and through President Biden’s infrastructure package, we know even more progress is underway,” Bose added.

About Amtrak®

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About MnDOT

Created in 1976, the [Minnesota Department of Transportation](#) (MnDOT) oversees transportation by all modes including land, water, air, rail, walking and bicycling. Its mission is to connect and serve all people through a safe, equitable and sustainable transportation system. Stay connected to MnDOT through [our Social Hub](#).

About WisDOT

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) was officially established in 1967. It provides leadership in the development of a safe and efficient multimodal transportation system for the people of Wisconsin and the state's many visitors. Learn more about WisDOT at [wisconsindot.gov](#) and connect with WisDOT on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [YouTube](#) to stay up to date on the latest transportation news in Wisconsin.

About IDOT

The [Illinois Department of Transportation](#) (IDOT) has statutory responsibility for the planning, construction, operation and maintenance of Illinois' extensive transportation network, which encompasses highways and bridges, airports, public transit, rail freight and rail passenger systems. This vast transportation system supports the fifth largest state in the nation and more than 100 million visitors annually. [IDOT's Stay Connected](#) page serves as an interactive hub to facilitate transportation news, events, video and photo galleries, and to promote information through social media platforms targeting all transportation stakeholders.

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New St. Paul – Chicago Amtrak Schedules: Effective May 21, 2024 Eastbound and Westbound

| | St. Paul MN MSP | Red Wing MN RDW | Winona MN WIN | LaCrosse WI LSE | Tomah WI TOM | Wisconsin Dells WI WDL | Portage WI POG | Columbus WI CBS | Milwaukee WI MKE | Milwaukee Airport WI MKA | Sturtevant WI SVT | Glenview IL GLN | Chicago IL CHI |
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| EMPIRE BUILDER Trains 8 and 28 inbound from west | 8:50 AM | 9:44 AM | 11:01 AM | 11:37 AM | 12:16 PM | 12:58 PM | 1:17 PM | 1:47 PM | 3:05 PM | → | → | 4:12 PM | 4:45 PM |
| BOREALIS Train 1340 originates in MSP | 11:50 AM | 12:35 PM | 1:40 PM | 2:16 PM | 2:57 PM | 3:40 PM | 3:58 PM | 4:26 PM | 5:45 PM | 5:55 PM | 6:08 PM | 6:46 PM | 7:14 PM |

| | CHI Chicago IL | GLN Glenview IL | SVT Sturtevant WI | MKA Milwaukee Airport WI | MKE Milwaukee WI | CBS Columbus WI | POG Portage WI | WDL Wisconsin Dells WI | TOM Tomah WI | LSE LaCrosse WI | WIN Winona MN | RDW Red Wing MN | MSP St. Paul MN |
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| BOREALIS Train 1333 originates in CHI | 11:05 AM | 11:27 AM | 12:05 PM | 12:19 PM | 12:39 PM | 1:41 PM | 2:13 PM | 2:33 PM | 3:17 PM | 3:58 PM | 4:36 PM | 5:40 PM | 6:29 PM |
| EMPIRE BUILDER Trains 7 and 27 originates in CHI | 3:05 PM | 3:29 PM | → | 4:45 PM | 5:55 PM | 6:24 PM | 6:42 PM | 7:20 PM | 8:04 PM | 8:40 PM | 9:42 PM | 10:56 PM | |

Amtrak Midwestern Train Routes



[1000 Friends of Wisconsin](#) and [AARP Wisconsin](#) are excited to invite you to "Making Connections in La Crosse" on Thursday, May 30 for a day of events focused on equitable transportation and street safety. [RSVP here.](#)

Making Connections in La Crosse: *a day of active transportation events*

Thursday, May 30 | Registration is free

RSVP here: <https://forms.gle/Hs2qUAPEgu49fBzM9>

Hosted by 1000 Friends of WI and AARP WI



Join us for one or all of the following activities:

| | |
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| Ride with the Mayor meet at City Hall | 9am-12pm |
| Appetizer reception & speaker panels UW La Crosse | 2-4:30pm |
| The Street Project Rivoli Theater | 5:30-7:30pm |

Join us for any or all of the following activities!

9am-12noon | Ride with the Mayor

Location: Meet in City Hall parking lot/north entrance (*NOTE: no RSVP is required for Ride with the Mayor*)

Ride With the Mayor is an organized tour of new improvements -- and future challenges -- in the city. Supported by the City of La Crosse Bicycle-Pedestrian Advisory Committee, the event is for staff, elected officials, local advocates, members of the press and anyone with a bicycle who wants to explore the city together. Routes alternate between north and south side: this time, River Point, 2nd Street and Powell-Pogue Hamilton. Bring your bike and expect to ride two hours or so at an easy pace with frequent stops.

2-4:30pm | Appetizer reception and local project highlights

Location: Health Sciences Center Room 2030, UW La Crosse

Join staff from 1000 Friends of Wisconsin and AARP Wisconsin along with city and county staff, local elected officials, and alumni of the Community Transportation Academy for a fun, informal reception followed by panel discussions and presentations on local projects and opportunities for engagement!

Speakers:

- Erin Duffer, LAPC
- Lewis Kuhlman, City of La Crosse Sustainability Planner
- Jennifer Trost, La Crosse City Council
- Tamra Dickinson, La Crosse City Council
- Andrew Ericson, UW La Crosse Sustainability Coordinator
- Susan Gaeddert, 1000 Friends of Wisconsin
- Darrin Wasniewski, AARP Wisconsin

5:30-7:30pm | The Street Project documentary & panel discussion

Location: Rivoli Theater | 117 North 4th Street, La Crosse

The Street Project is a documentary by the award-winning filmmaker Jennifer Boyd about the global, citizen-led fight to make our streets safer. The film will be followed by an open Q&A.

Panelists:

- Brittney Hodson, Community Member
- James Longhurst, Environmental Historian
- Jeff Nylander, Community Member
- Larry Sleznikow, La Crosse City Council