

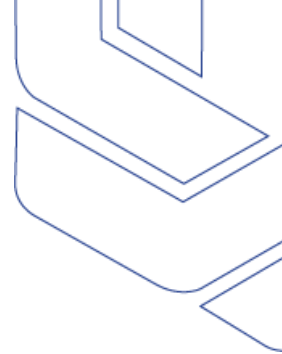
# Patapsco Regional Greenway

## Scope:

- Project Purpose: Concept plan/feasibility study for a shared-use path through the Patapsco Valley.
- Limits: Inner Harbor to Sykesville, including a connection to the BWI Trail.
- Definition of Greenway – 10-12' wide, ADA accessible, transportation trail
  - May not be feasible in some sections
  - Current DNR leadership not in favor of a 10' wide transportation trail upstream from Ellicott City.
  - DNR prefers natural surface trail for maintenance purposes, particularly upstream of Ellicott City.



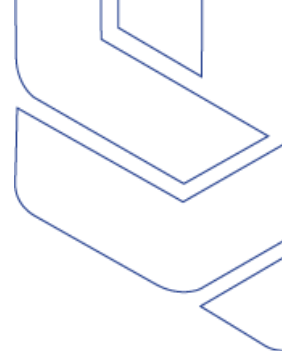
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- Timeline:
  - July 2016: RFP posted with 4 proposals received
  - August 2016: Proposals evaluated with Toole Design Group selected
  - November 2016: Project kickoff with Toole Design Group, DNR, and local jurisdictions
  - December 2016/January 2017:
    - Assess current conditions:
      - Review relevant plans within trailshed
      - Extensive field work
    - Engage Stakeholders:
      - Stakeholder survey of local jurisdiction staff, neighborhood associations, community groups, environmental groups, and advocacy groups
      - 300+ responses



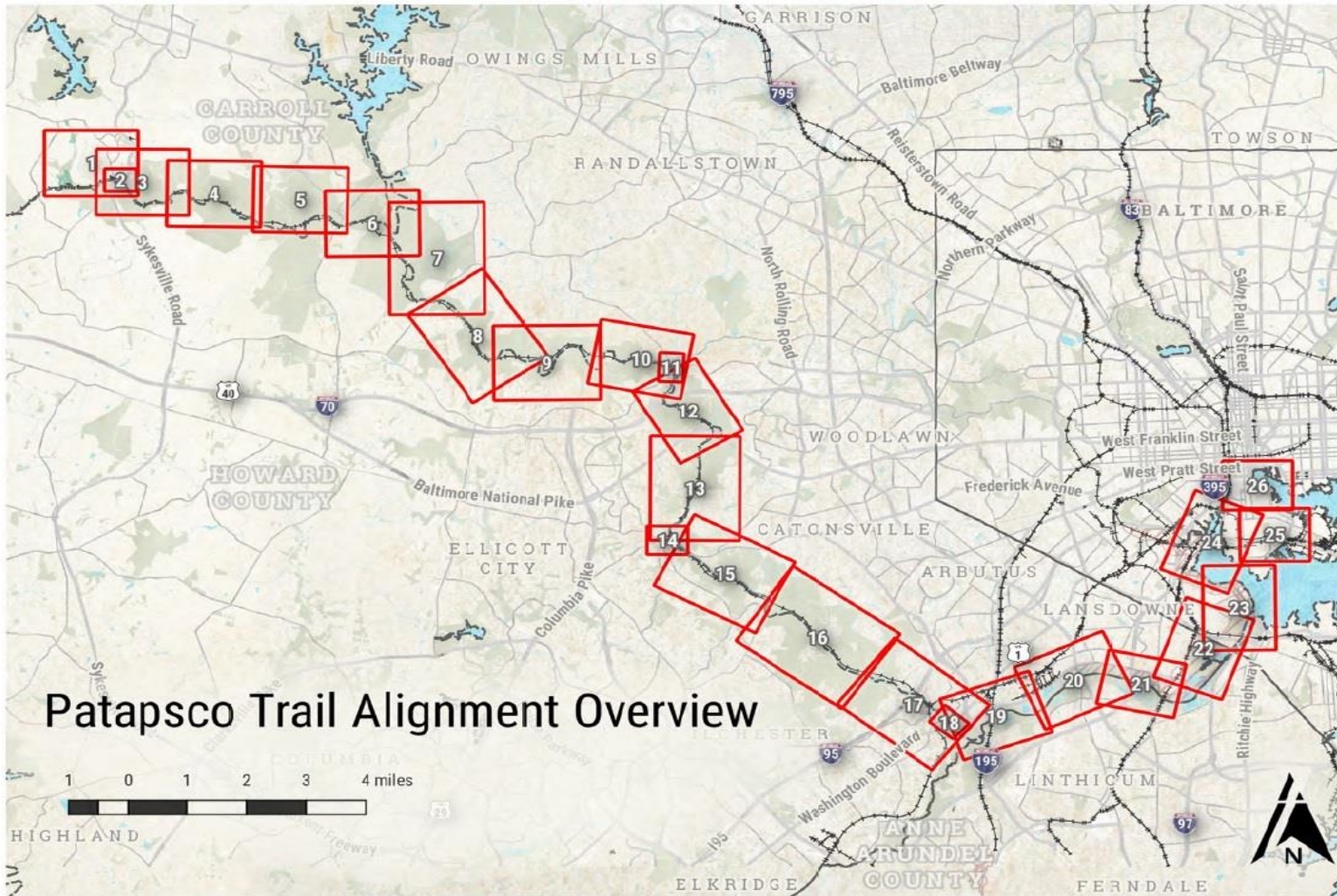
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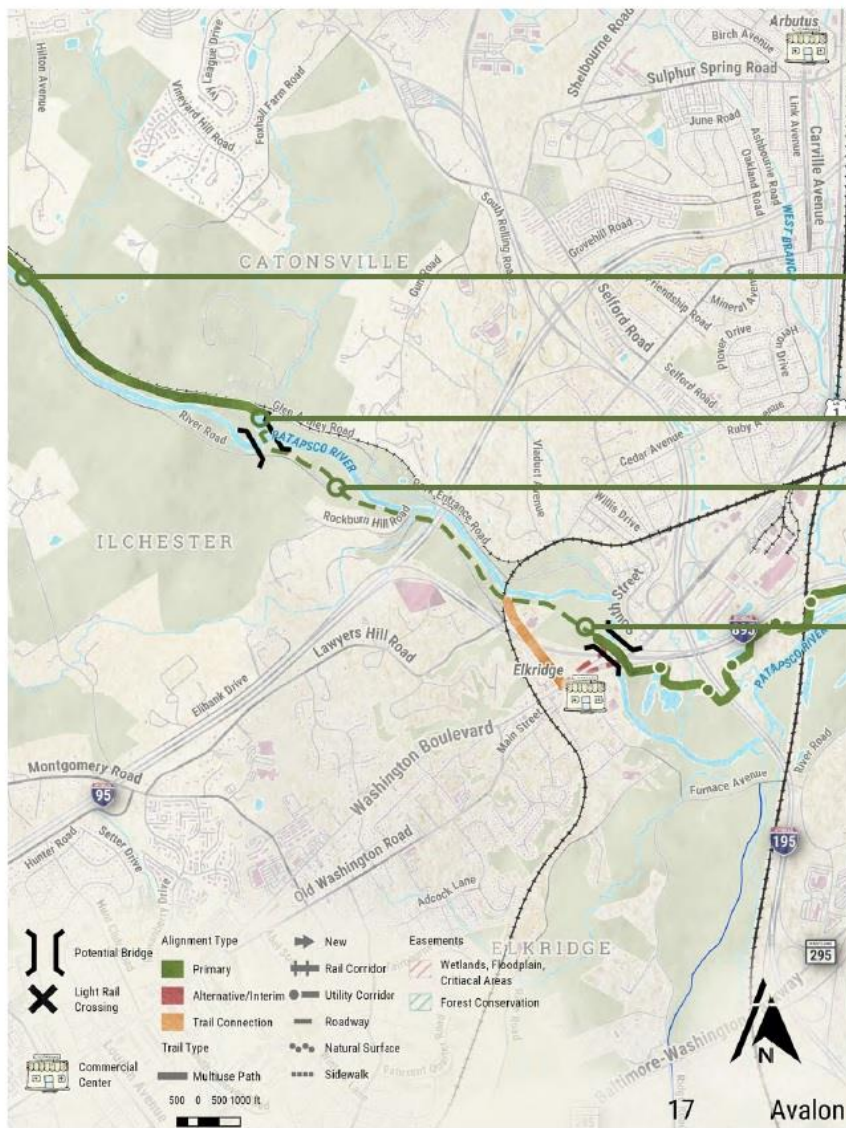
- Timeline cont.
  - February 2017: Develop preferred and alternative alignment
    - Engaged major property owners for design guidance and limitations including utilities (BGE, CSX) and DNR (approved alignments within their ROW)
  - March 2017: Presentation of draft alignments to BPAG members and DNR
    - Promising conditions for trail development through majority of corridor but there are challenging areas:
      - Ellicott City: Steep topography and narrow ROW
      - Elkridge: multiple major roadways, but short-term solution can use lower volume roadways
      - 6-7 major structures, including a recommended bridge over CSX connecting Cherry Hill community to the Patapsco light rail station



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### Grist Mill Trail

A two-and-a-half mile trail with numerous historic resources along its route.



### Lost Lake

Near Lost Lake, a proposed swing bridge could connect the Avalon area to Lost Lake and the Grist Mill Trail. Lost Lake is stocked with fish and designed as a fishing area for children, senior citizens and visitors with disabilities and was once a reservoir for the Avalon Iron and Nail Works.



### River Road

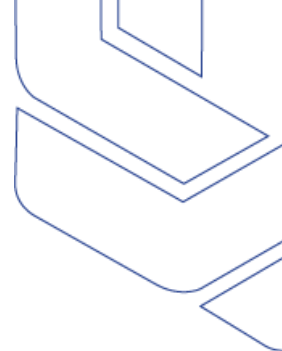
A section of roadway, currently closed, could be repurposed as the primary trail alignment.



A new trail is proposed for the park area between ElkrIDGE and I-95.



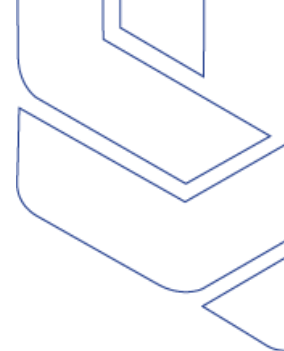
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- Community meetings
  - March 29, Miller Branch of Howard County Library
  - April 12, South Carroll Community Center from 6:30 – 8:30



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- Next steps:
  - Finalize alignments based on input
    - Neighborhood connections
    - Sites for public access
    - Trail section standards
    - Locate and identify structures
  - Implementation matrix
    - Phased implementation
    - Identify agency lead and supporting organizations
    - Short, Medium, Long Range improvements
    - Opportunities and Constraints
    - cost estimates and identify potential funding sources
  - Final Plan: June 30, 2017



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