

## Cannonball Bike Path Extension – Possible Routes

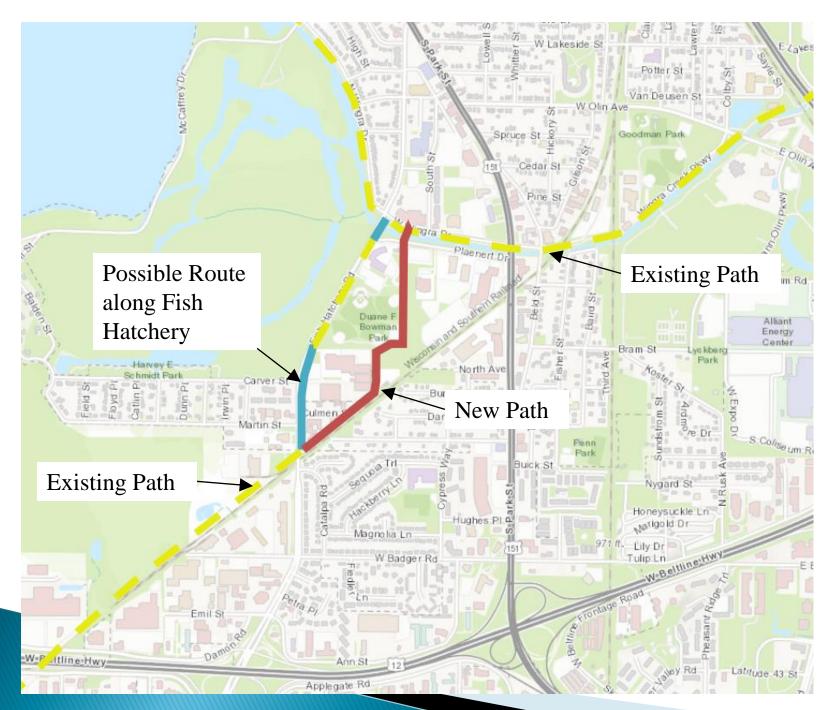
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## **Bike Routes Map**

- Cannonball Path ends at Fish Hatchery and connects to Cap City & Southwest & Badger State trails
- Wingra Creek Path connects Vilas Park to Cap City Trail along John Nolen





## **Bike Routes Map**

- Only connection
   between Cannonball
   & Wingra Creek paths
   are bike lanes on Fish
   Hatchery
- Possible routes to improve that connection
- New bridge over Wingra Creek





## **Existing Conditions**

- Cannonball Path ends at Fish Hatchery Rd.
  - Crossing of Fish Hatchery constructed with island & RRFB
- Wingra Path 0.6 mi to the north
  - Connection by on-street bike lanes, 4' wide
  - 30,000+ vehicles per day

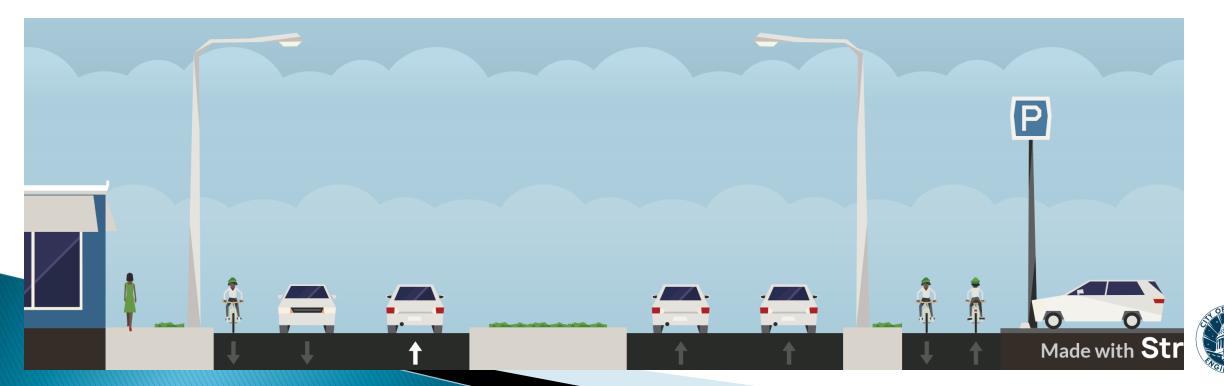




## **Proposed Design – Alternative 1, along Fish Hatchery**

- Remove sidewalk and on-street bike lane on one side
  - >Narrow street by moving curb toward centerline
  - >Currently proposing east side of Fish Hatchery, cross using existing RRFB
- > Install 10 ft. wide multi-use path

>At sidewalk level; green markings through driveway crossings



## **Proposed Design – Alternative 1, along Fish Hatchery**



Driveway Crossing Example

#### Cross Section Relative to Existing



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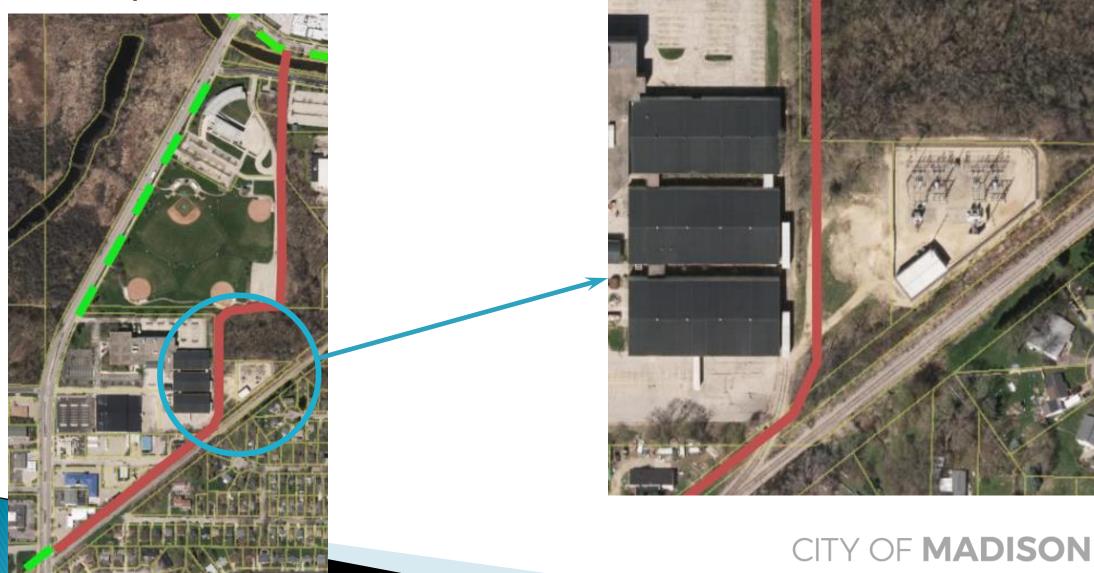


## **Proposed Design – Alternative 2, new path**

- > Continue as a path on route not along Fish Hatchery Rd.
- Parallel to the RR tracks & north through Bowman Park
   Cross existing RR spur serving Capital Newspapers
   Requires purchase of easement on private property
- > Requires tree removals within wooded area of Bowman
- More typical path, similar to existing portion of Cannonball Path



# Proposed Design – Alternative 2, new path Conceptual route





### **Comparison of Primary Considerations & Potential Challenges**

Consideration	Alt 1 – Fish Hatchery	Alt 2 – Typical Path
Traffic & Use	Near traffic, crosses multiple driveways & streets, combines ped/bike facilities on Fish Hatch	Away from traffic, RR crossing, few driveway or street crossings, maintains current Fish Hatch use
Route & Access	More direct connection and easier access to Arboretum	Quieter, but less connected, and more secluded – some users may not feel safe at night
Snow Removal	Limited terrace space (storage)	Plow same as existing path
Tree Removals	Approx. 8 terrace trees	Through wooded areas
Real Estate	In existing right-of-way	Purchase of land required
Construction Cost	Approx \$1.3M	Approx. \$2M (grading, lighting)
Other Agencies	Dane County	Parks, MMSDs (School & Sewer)
Possible Schedule	2024? depends on budget & agency coordination/approval	Less certain due to real estate

## **Contact Information & Resources**

- Engineering
  - Principal Engineer, Jim Wolfe, 266-4099 or jwolfe@cityofmadison.com
  - Pedestrian Bicycle Administrator, Renee Callaway, 266-6225 or recallaway@cityofmadison.com
- > Project Website: <u>cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/cannonball-path-phase-6</u>
  - Sign-up for project email updates on the website
  - Updates on closures & work progress will be posted to the project website
- Facebook City of Madison Engineering



## **Input & Discussion**

> Preferred design option/route

>Which option should the City focus on trying to move forward?

- Is Option 1 enough of an improvement over the existing condition to pursue?
  - Existing on-street bike lane and sidewalk, or only a multi-use path adjacent to the street

