



Trail Matrix, Round 3

Board of Park Commissioners Meeting

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CLEVELAND METROPARKS 2015 STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE

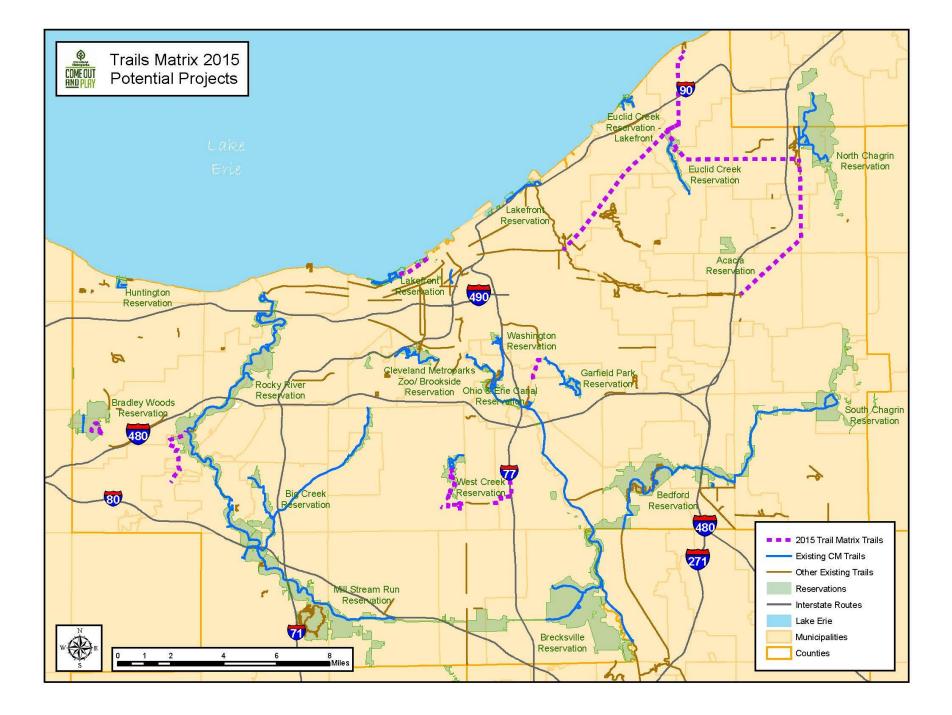
CONNECTIONS

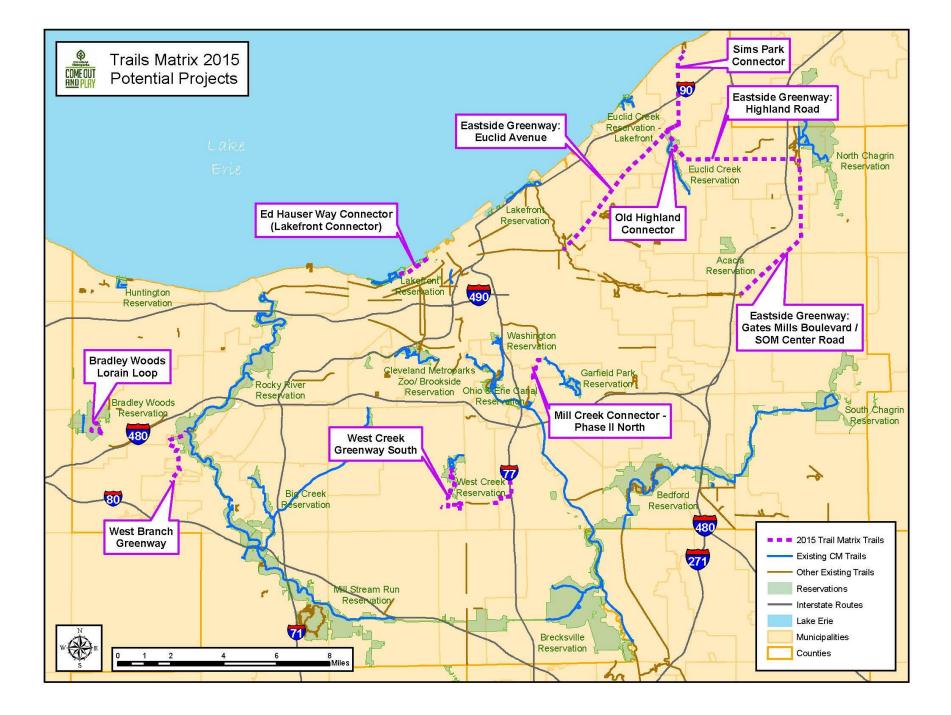
Strategic Plan & Trail Matrix

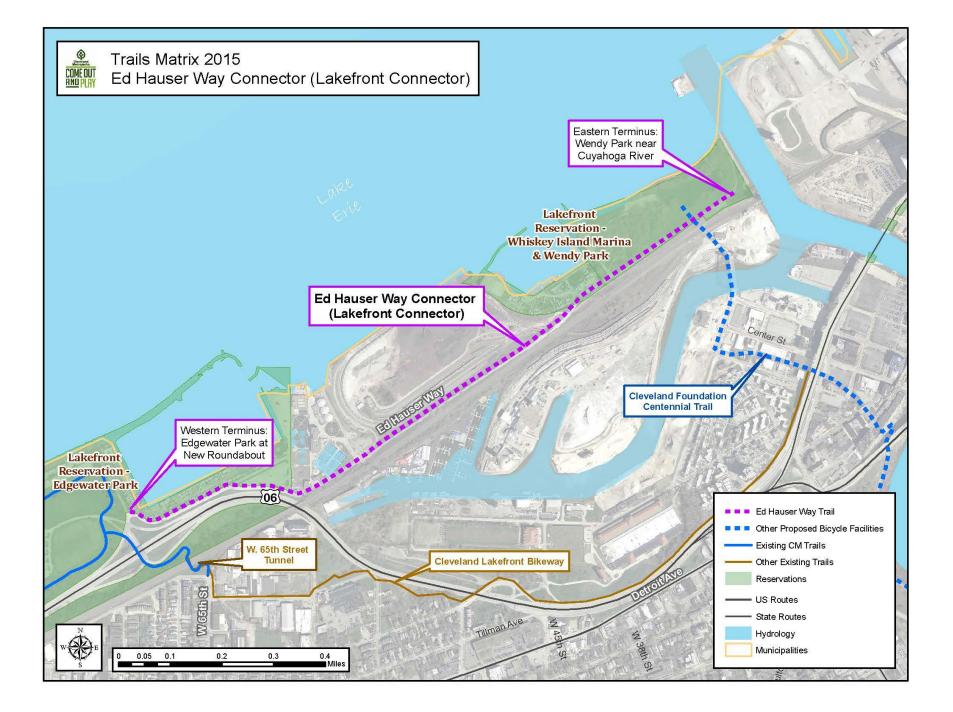
- "Connections" identified as one of five key goals
- Tool to evaluate potential opportunities for Cleveland Metroparks to pursue/support
- 14 attributes such as public benefit, user populations, and trail experiences

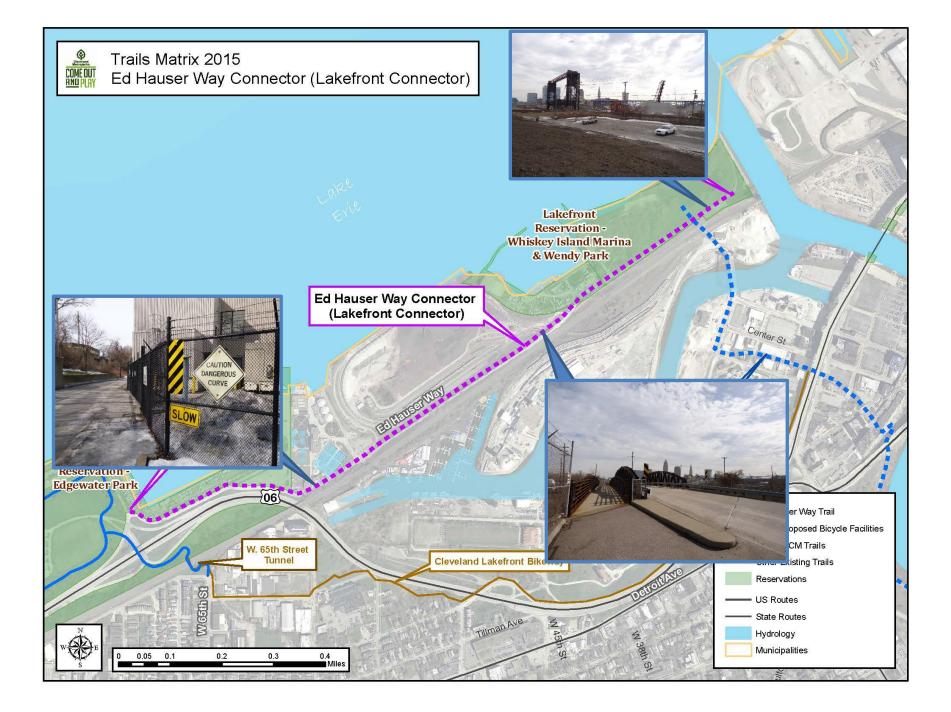
Trail Matrix Attributes

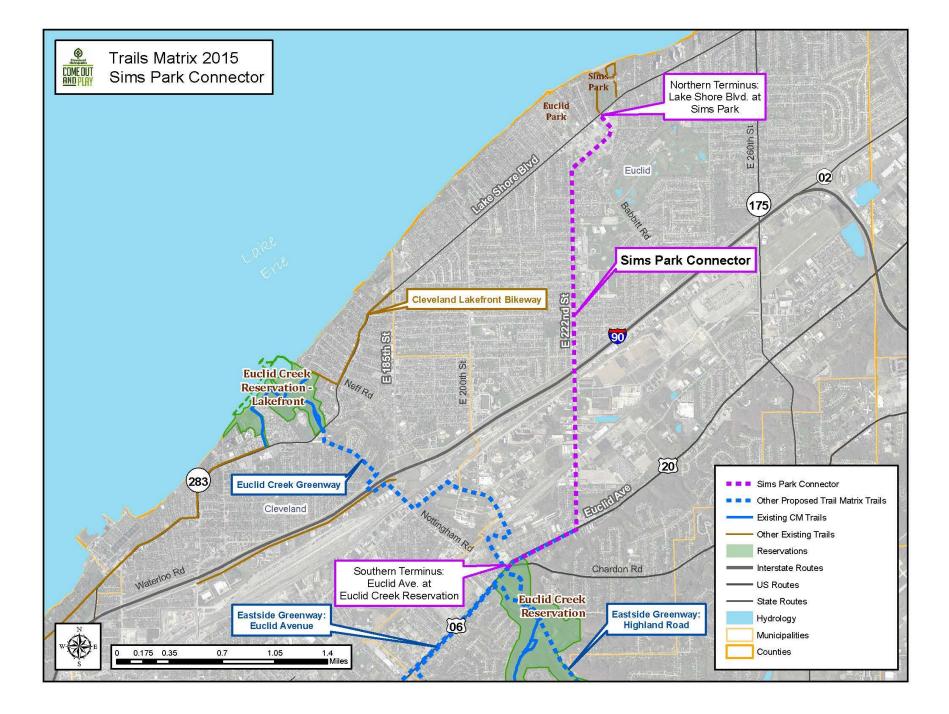
Type of Trail/Potential Popularity (choose all relevant)	Population Within One Mile of Trail (choose one)	Costs - Acquisition (choose one)	
Regional/Statewide	>25,000 (or considered a regional/statewide trail)	No acquisition needed (CM lands/completed/No CM\$)	
Park District/Countywide	10,000 - 25,000	Minimal acquisition/probable donations	
Local	< 10,000	Estimated acquisition cost to CM < \$75,000	
Community Benefit (choose all relevant)	Community Support/Partnerships (choose all relevant)	Expected ROW, minimal cost	
Filling "gap" in CM Trails or Regional Trails	Regional and/or Statewide Support	Estimated acquisitions to CM > \$75,000	
Links to CM	County/Park District Support	Costs - Construction (choose one)	
Connect CM to urban core	Local Support and meshes with community goals/plans	Fully funded (grants/govt agencies/etc)	
Opportunity to reach under-served areas	Partnerships agreed to cost share studies/construction	Significant funding in place relative to project size	
Link CM to Adjacent Park Districts/Trails	Known major opposition	Majority of work by CM staff/crews	
High visibility of trail/trailheads/community identity	Planning (choose one)	Potential for significant grant funding relative to project	
Uses (choose all relevant)	Planning & design complete & meshes w/CM	Trail built; requesting maintenance/sustainability	
Potential commuter route	Planning complete & meshes with CM vision	Estimated construction costs to CM < \$250,00	
Fills recreational need (mountain bike, water trail, etc.)	Planning in process	Estimated construction costs to CM > \$250,000	
Trail off-public roadways	No planning or does not mesh w/CM vision & design	Trail Infrastructure/Sustainability (choose one)	
Draw non-recreation users(wildlife	Ease of Implementation (choose one)	Minimal trail sustainability issues	
Connects CM to community	Relatively easy implementation (CM property/crews)	1-2 significant bridges/tunnels/boardwalk/retaining	
Trail Experiences (choose all relevant)	Some difficulties, but nothing significant	> 3 significant bridges/tunnels/boardwalk/retaining	
Provides a destination	Plan not implementable as conceived/some redesign	Maintenance/Operational Costs (choose one)	
Scenic/natural/vistas or urban funky experiences	Difficult implementation (ex: railroads/adverse owners)	Partnering agency willing to maintain	
Wayfinding - easy/direct route to follow	Known Challenges (choose all relevant)	Maintenance similar to existing CM trails	
Ease of parking and access to trail	No/minimal challenges	Maintenance similar, but distant from CM facilities	
Cultural/historic sites	Significant site issues (slopes, soils, terrain, drainage)	Long-term maintenance undecided	
Variety of habitats/sights/views/overlooks	Perceived safety concerns/isolation	High due to site conditions (erosion/flooding/vandalism)	
Length of Trail (choose one)	Traffic congestion/several street crossings		
>3 miles	Ownership not secured		
1 to 3 miles	Environmental (brownfields; contaminated)		
< 1 mile	Not compatible with natural resources (sensitive areas)		

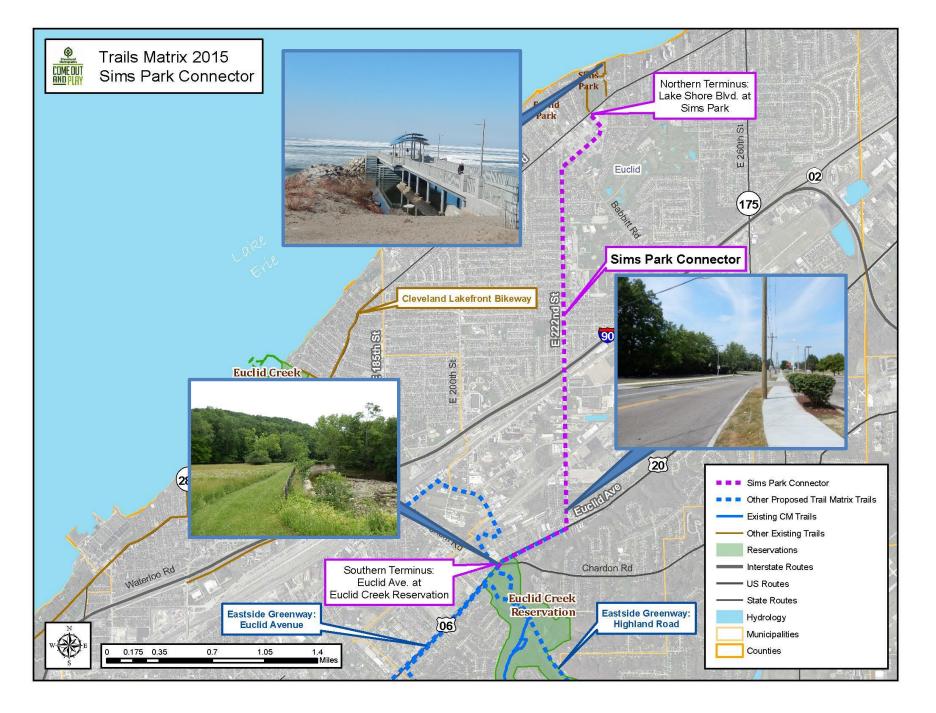


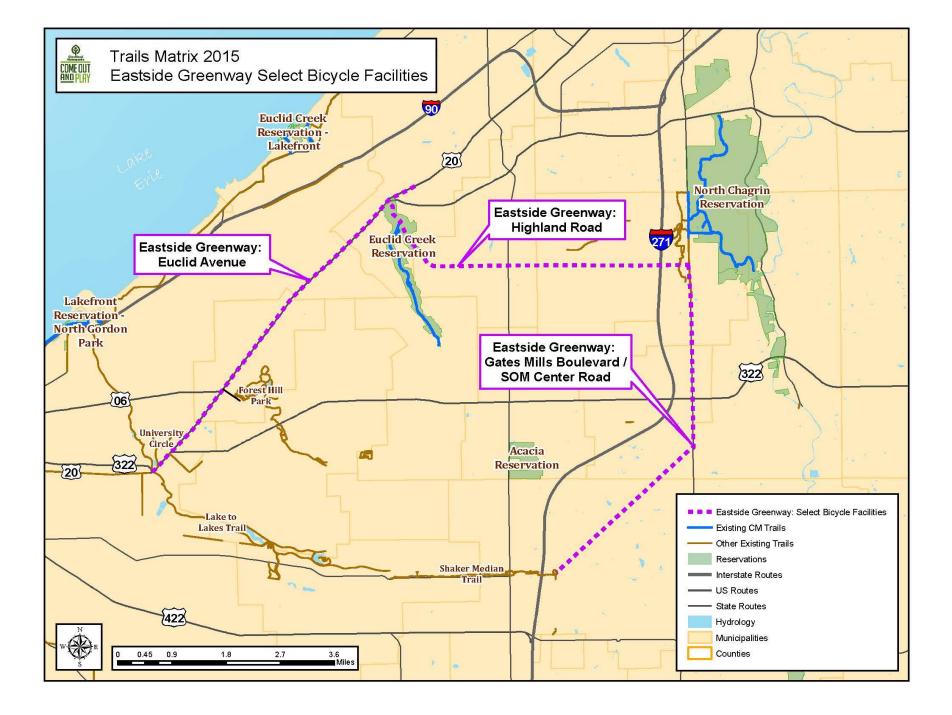


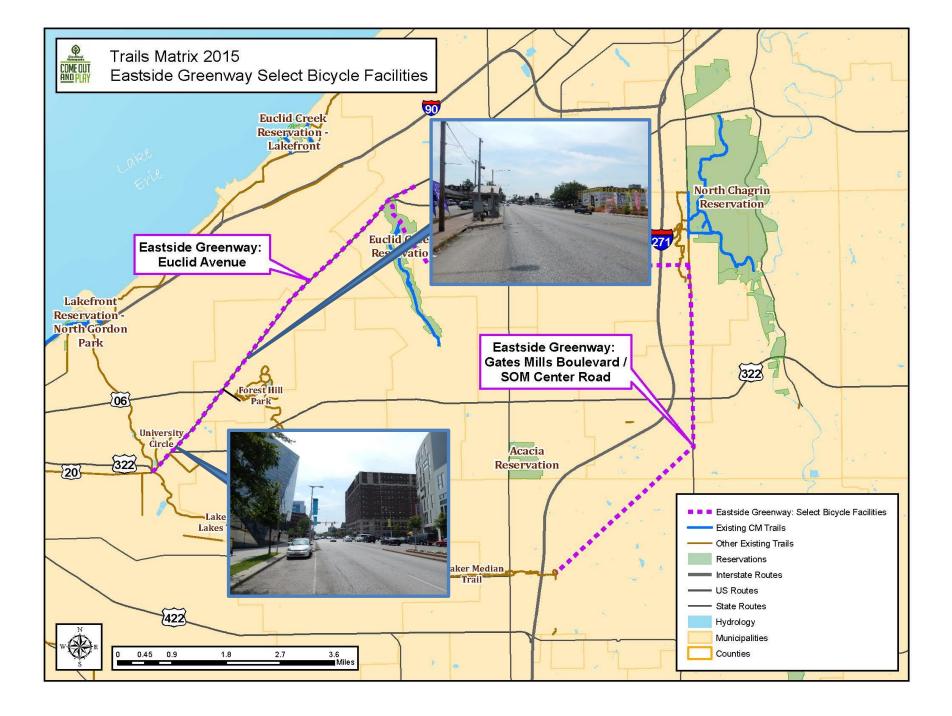


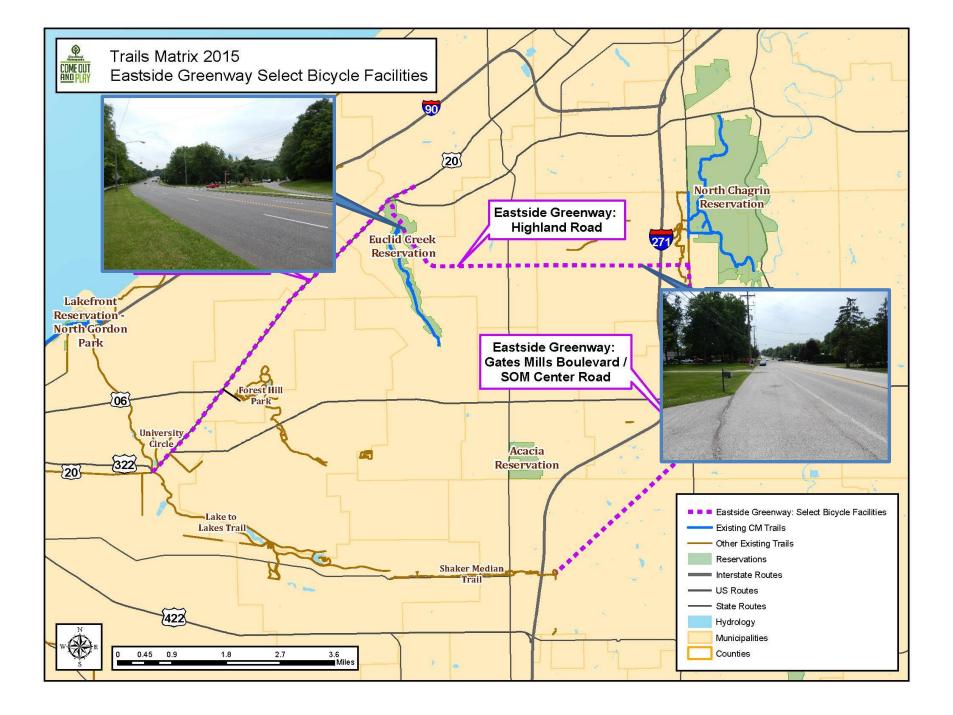


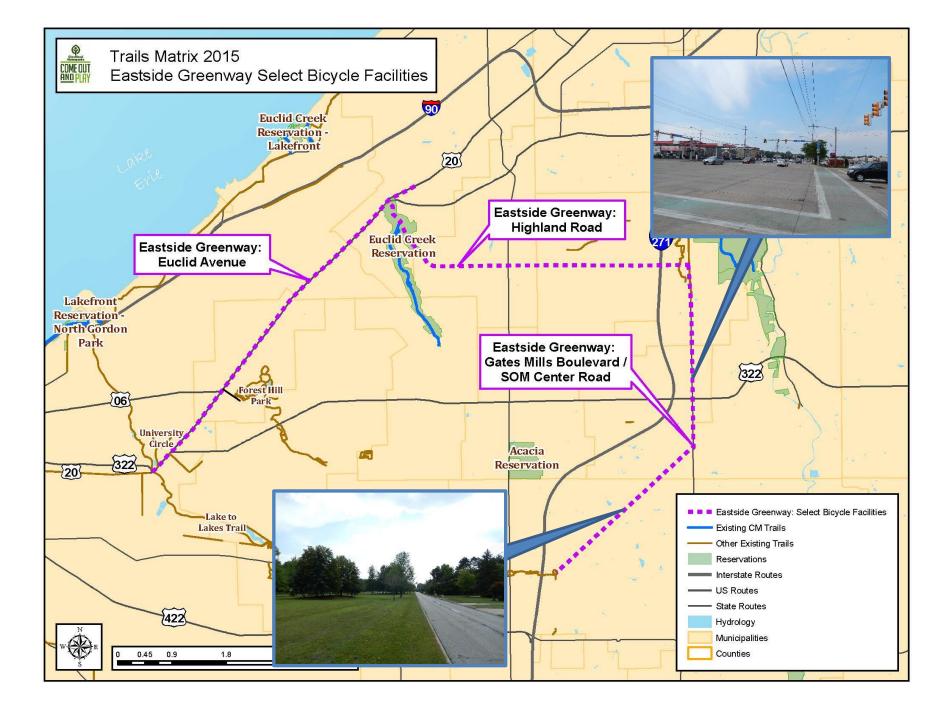


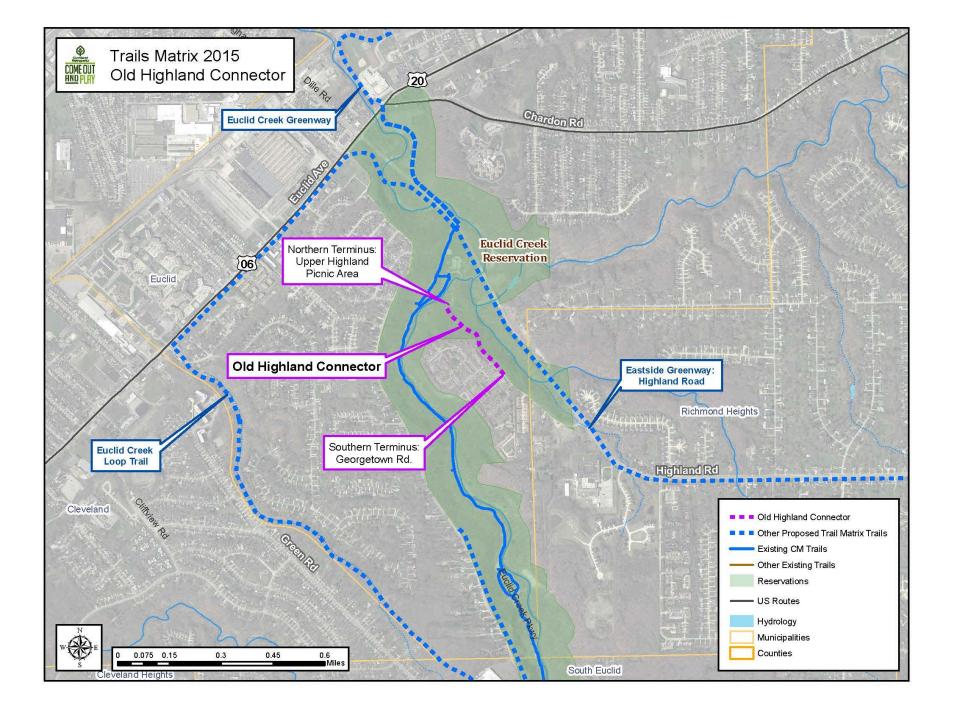


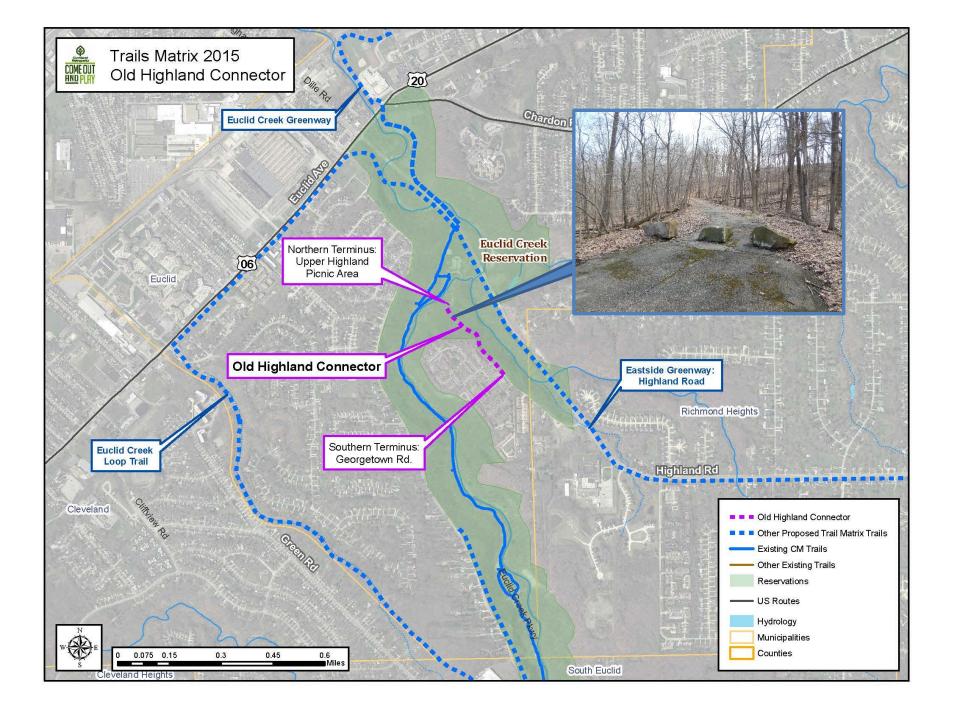


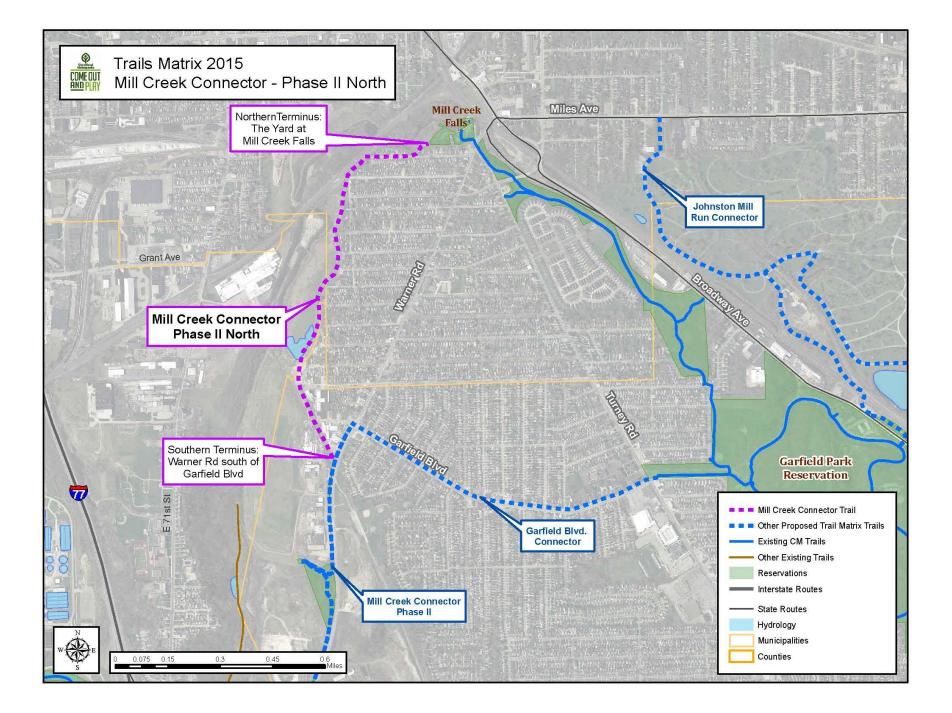


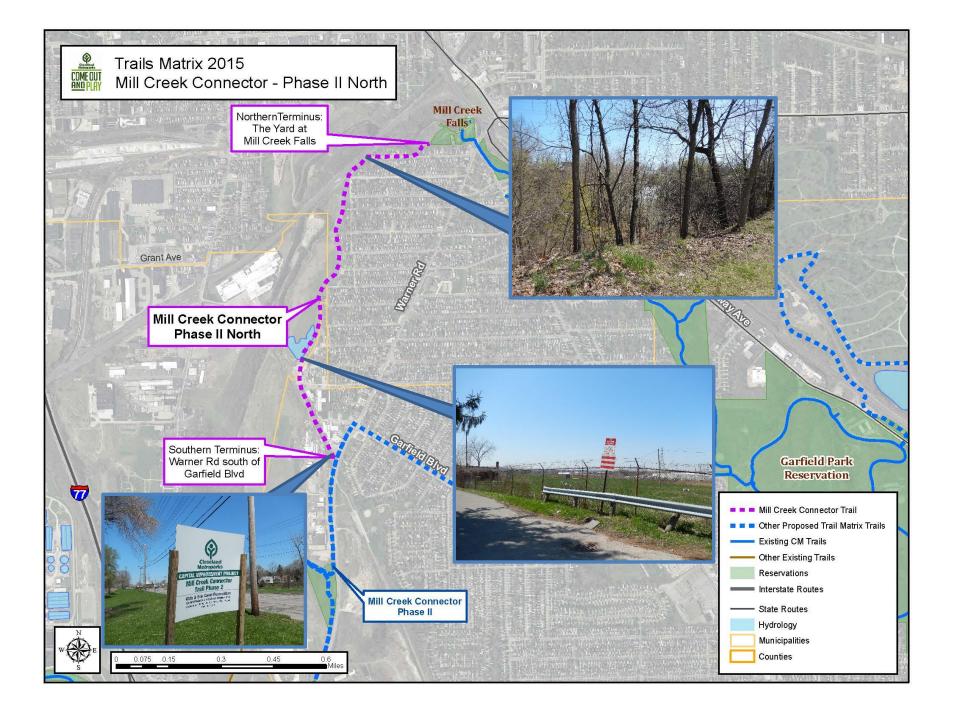


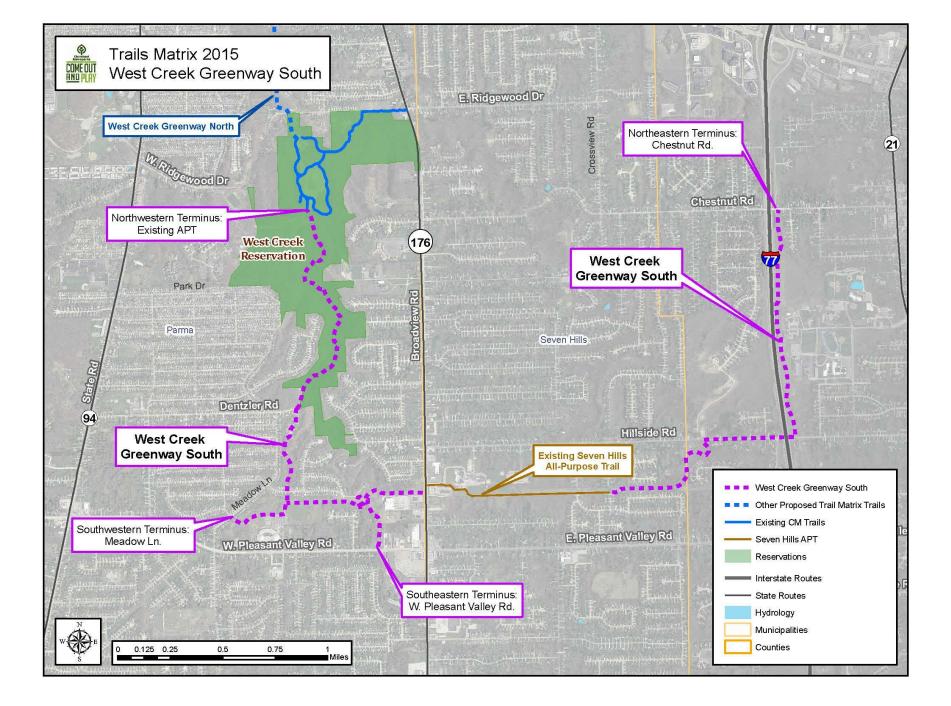


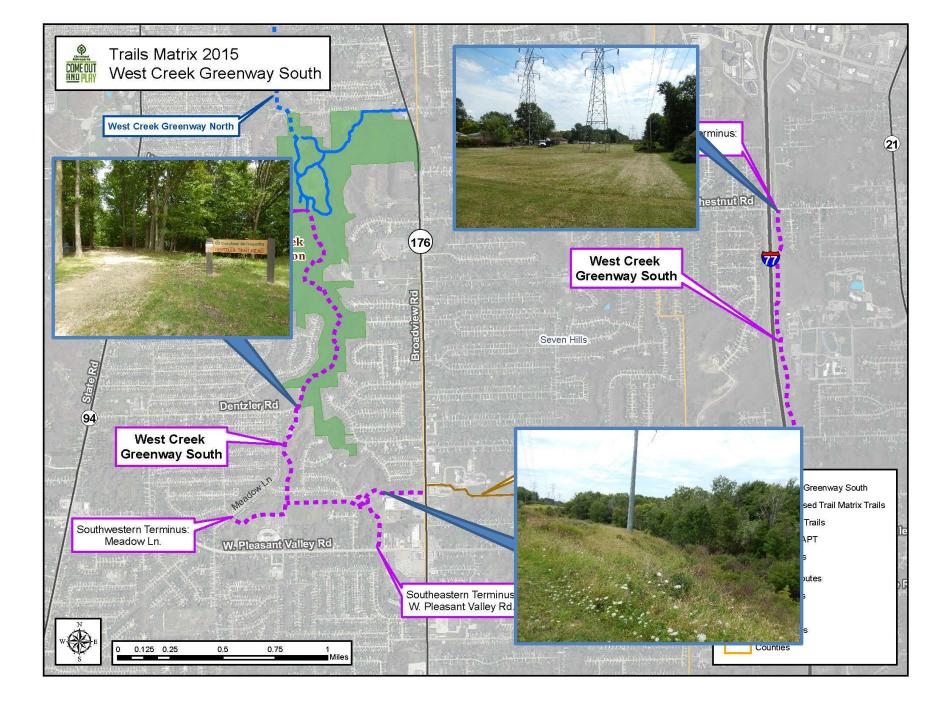


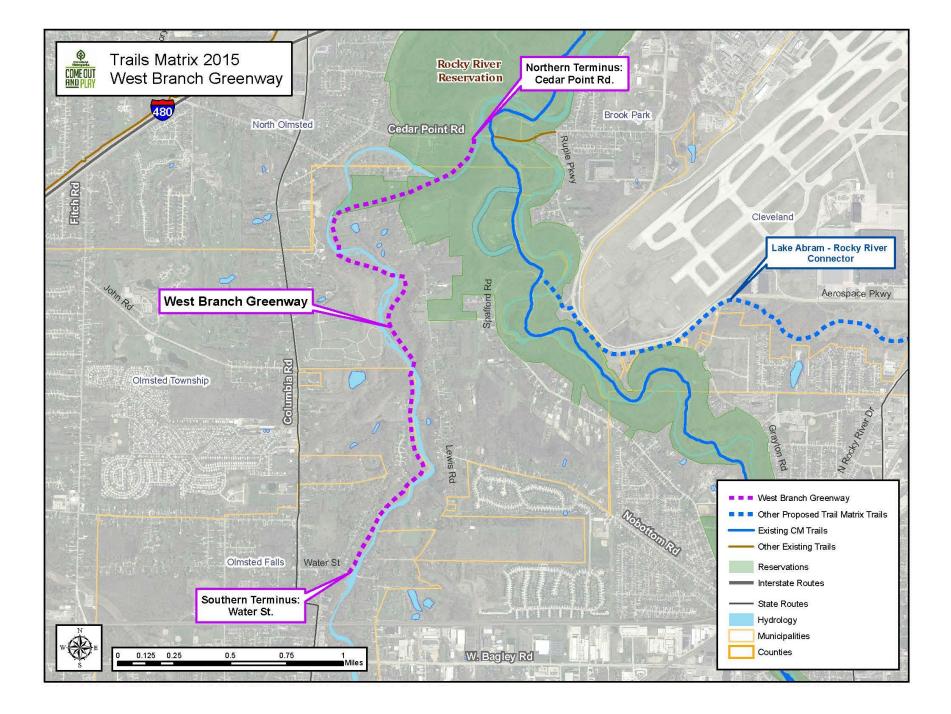


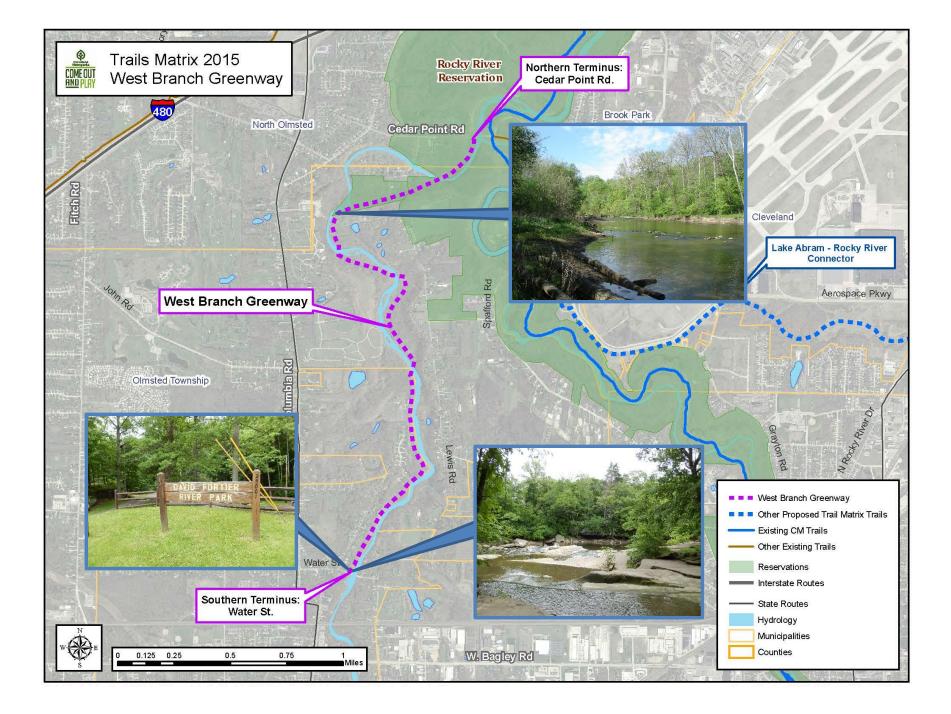


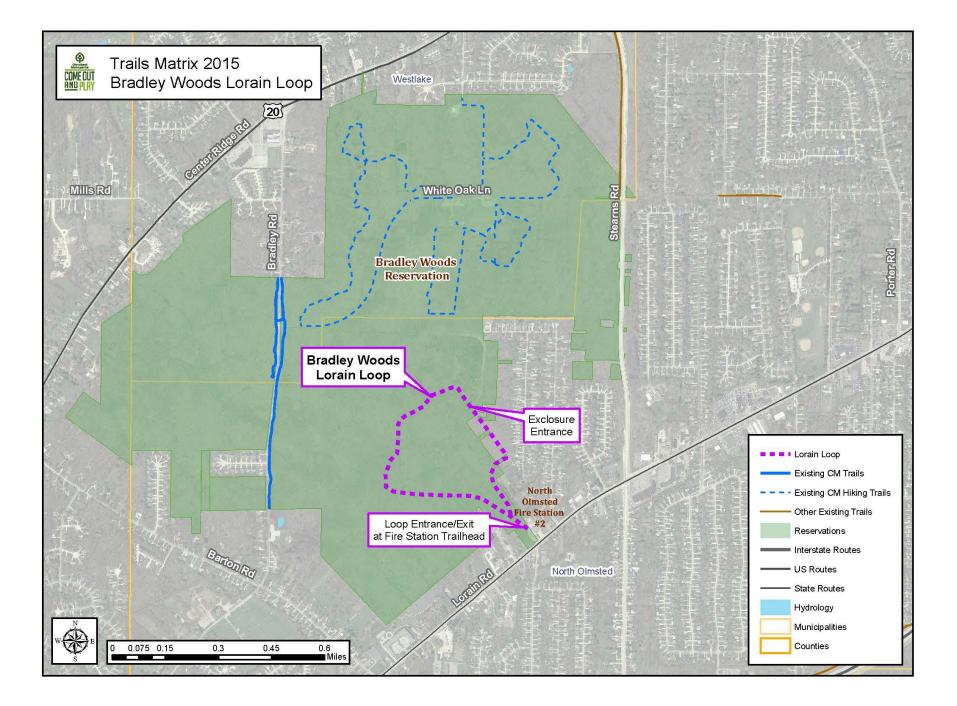




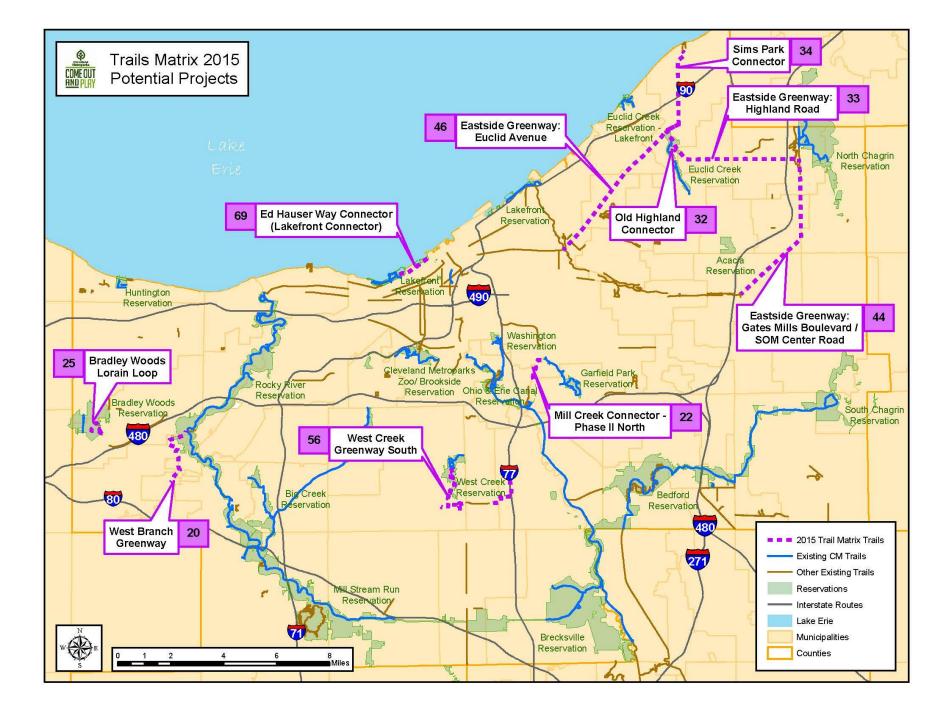














Top Scores – All Rounds

Score:	Projects:	Round:
87	Towpath Trail (Stages 1, 3 & 4)	1
81	Valley Parkway Connector	1
78	Cleveland Foundation Centennial Trail (Lake Link Trail)*	1
71	West Creek Greenway Trail – North	2
69	Ed Hauser Way Connector (Lakefront Connector)	3
63	Reroute Cleveland Lakefront Bikeway	1
62	Red Line Greenway	2
60	Bedford – Brecksville Reservation Connector	2
60	Riverwalk	1
57	Euclid Creek Greenway	1
56	West Creek Greenway South	3



Questions?



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