

Community Confluence: Connecting the Cities of Lakewood and Rocky River and the Rocky River Reservation

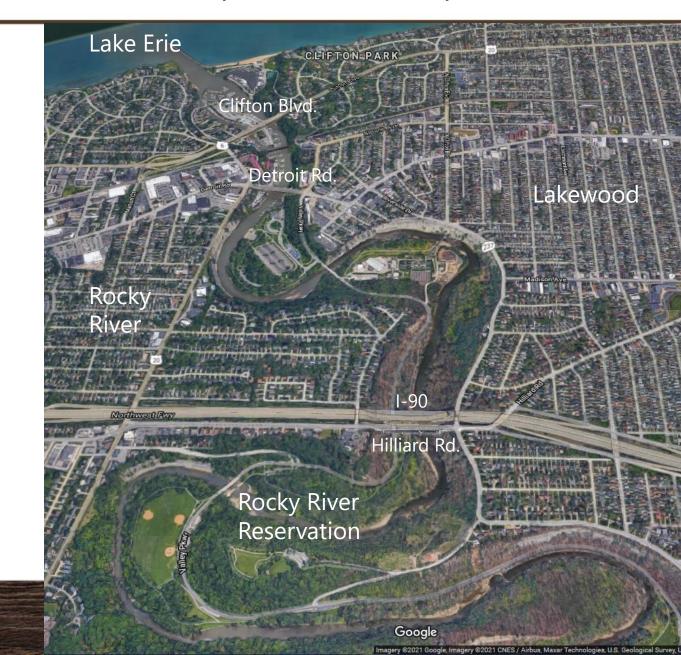
Cleveland Metroparks Board of Park Commissioners

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Project Summary

- Outgrowth of Cuyahoga Greenways Plan, community master plans, and Rocky River Reservation Master Plan
- Funded through a NOACA Transportation for Livable Communities (TLCI) study and Cuyahoga County Planning Commission with project support from Cleveland Metroparks, the City of Lakewood, and the City of Rocky River



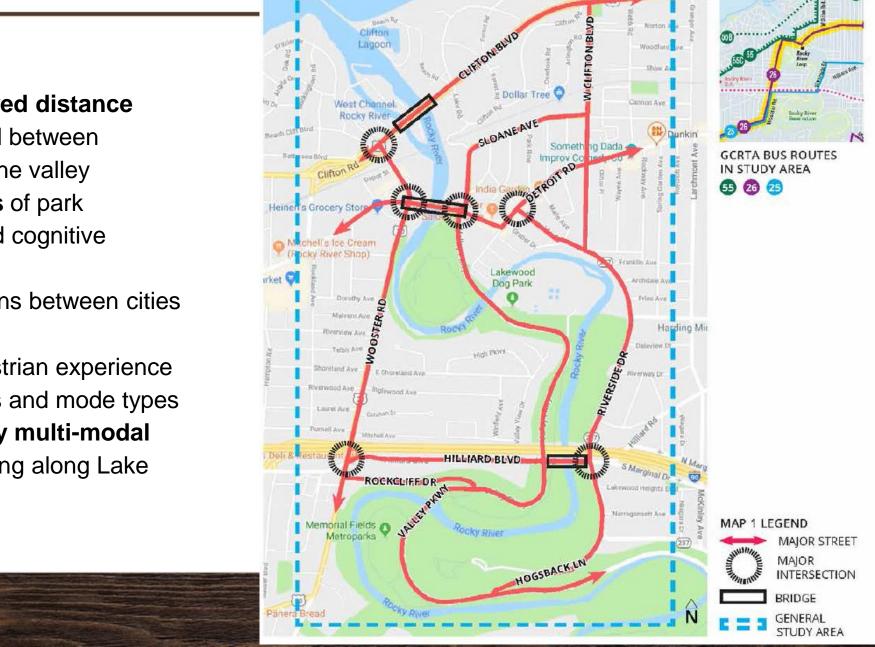


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Project Goals

Cleveland Metroparks

- Shorten the perceived distance across the valley and between neighborhoods and the valley
- Broaden awareness of park resources (visual and cognitive connections)
- Reinforce connections between cities and Metroparks
- Humanize the pedestrian experience
- Serve all populations and mode types
- Provide high-quality multi-modal connectivity, including along Lake Erie



Map 2 — GCRTA ROUTES

Map 1 - PROJECT AREA

SURVEY HEAT MAP

Project Summary

Responses (per segment)

Segment 12 - Riverside Drive

Segment 11 - Valley Parkway

Segment 6 - Detroit Avenue

Segment 3 - Sloane Avenue

Segment 1 - Clifton Boulevard

Segment 4 - West Clifton Road

Segment 8 - Valley Parkway

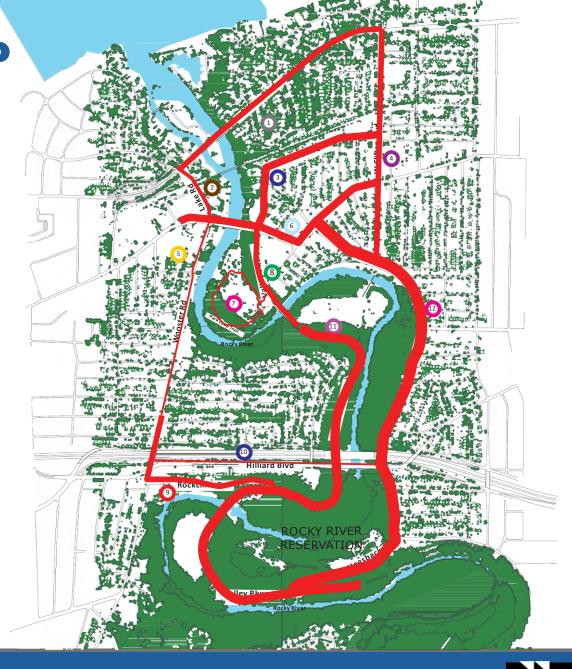
Segment 2 - Lake Road

Segment 9 - Rockcliff Entrance

Segment 7 - Park Loop Trail

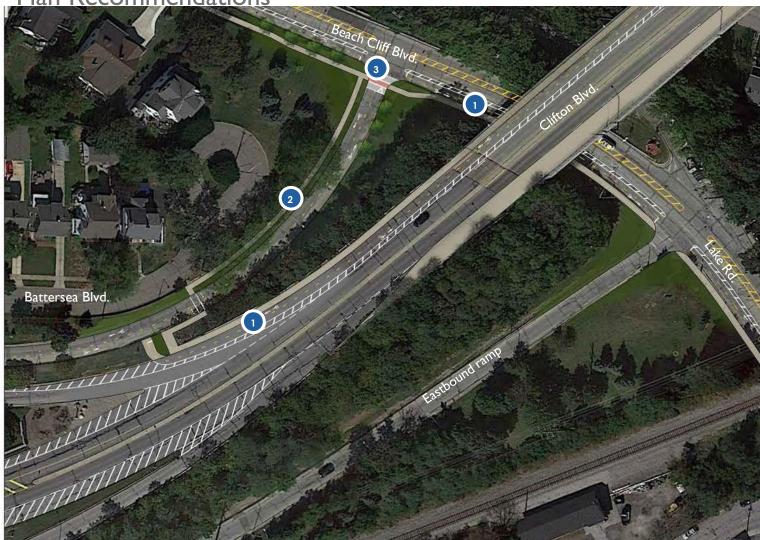
Segment 5 - Wooster Road

Segment 10 - Hilliard Boulevard





CLIFTON BLVD./LAKE RD.

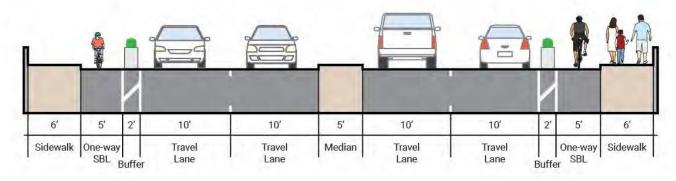




- 1 Two-way separated bike lane
- 2 Shared use path
- 3 Enhanced street crossing

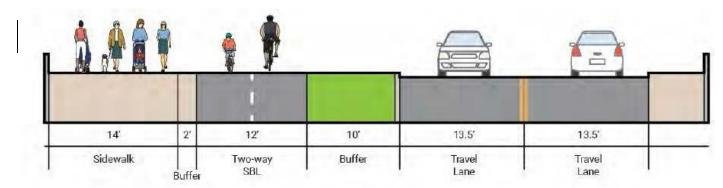
CLIFTON BLVD./LAKE RD.

Plan Recommendations



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Clifton Blvd. Bridge Section - Short-Term Proposed (Looking Eastbound)



Clifton Blvd. Bridge Section - Long Term Proposed (Looking Eastbound)



CLIFTON BLVD./LAKE RD.





W. CLIFTON ROAD





- 1 Shared use path
- 2 New crosswalks
- 3 Widen Tree Lawn
- 4 Parking Lane
- 5 Additional Sidewalks

RIVERSIDE DRIVE

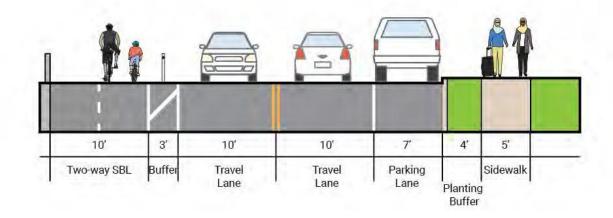


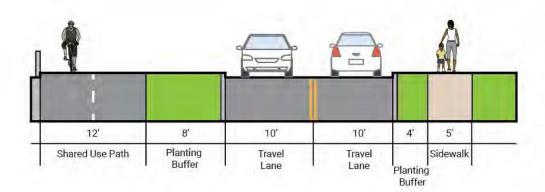


- I. Shared use path
- 2. Bike and pedestrian crossing
- 3. Two-way separated bike lane
- 4. Sharrows
- 5. Transition buffer
- 6. Increased buffer for turning cyclists



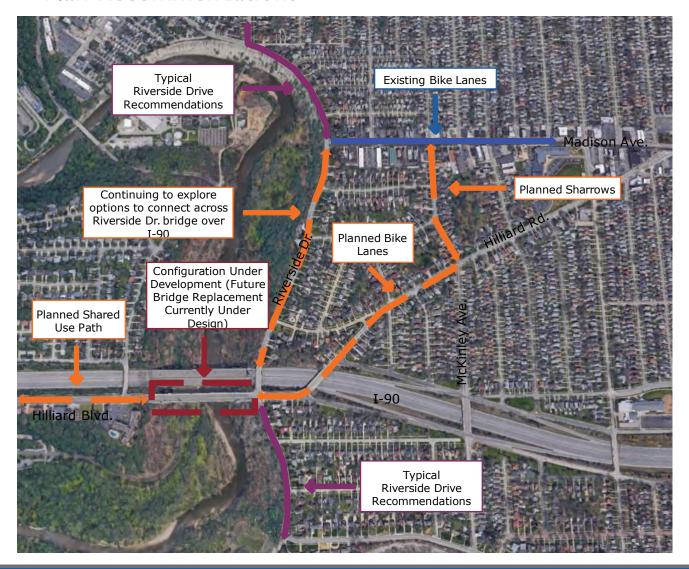
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HILLIARD/RIVERSIDE

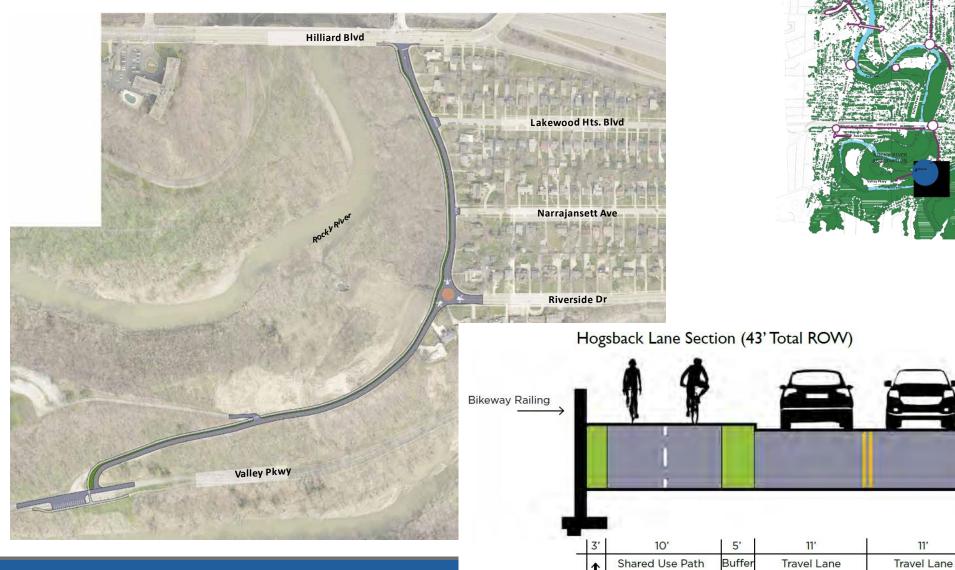






HOGSBACK LANE

Plan Recommendations



Shoulder

Shoulder

WOOSTER/HILLIARD/ROCKCLIFF



DETROIT RD. BRIDGE

Plan Recommendations



Detroit Ave Bridge Facing East



VALLEY PARKWAY





WAYFINDING SUMMARY

Cleveland Trails Sign System



For roads/trails where exisiting or proposed networks connect across cities and neighborhoods, we recommend utilizing the newly developed Cleveland Trails Sign System. This program can be adapted to highlight a new trail (with color coding or brand) and should be adapted for more connective on-road experiences.

Cleveland Metroparks Sign System



For roads/trails deep within the park system, we recommend continuing the use of Metroparks Signage but at point of entry/exit, the Cleveland Trails Sign System can be used to guide to city/neighborhood amenities.

Rocky River Sign System Lakewood

Sign System

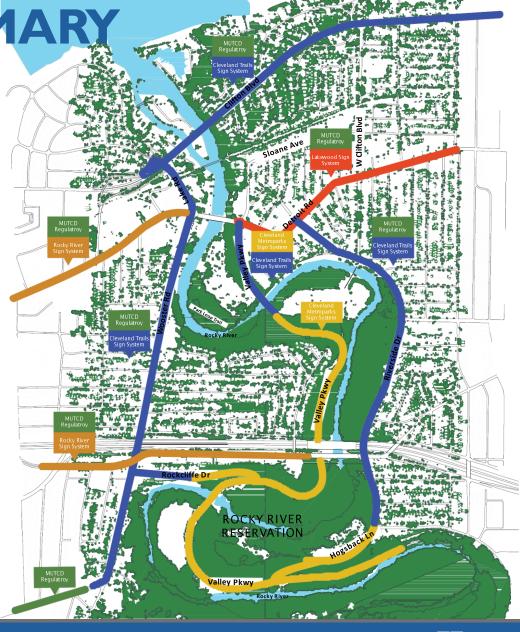


For commercial corridors with heavy multimodal access and a need to be recognized as a specific city district, we recommend sign programs be established that represent the city and needs of the area. Sign types meant to speak to vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians are recommended.

MUTCD Regulatory



In all on road/share road instances, specialty sign programs such as the Cleveland Trail Sign System will be accompanied by regulatory signage that is universally used to control and regulate traffic between multiple modes of travel. This includes pavement mark—ings.





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Next Steps:

- Study information is online at the project website,
 www.countyplanning.us/projects/community-confluence/
- Lakewood in partnership with Cleveland Metroparks is constructing improvements east of the Detroit Avenue Bridge, including a section of all purpose trail
- The Emerald Necklace entrance feature at Valley Parkway and Detroit
- An engineering study for Clifton Boulevard is underway sponsored by Cuyahoga County Public Works with participation from Lakewood, Rocky River, and Cleveland Metroparks
- Hilliard Road Bridge replacement design is underway
- Coordination of future Hogsback Lane improvements are ongoing
- Shift existing all purpose trail away from Valley Parkway near Lakewood Dog Park and improve roadway crossing

