



## MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION'S BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN SUB-COMMITTEE AGENDA



Date & Time of Meeting: **Thursday, June 4, 2026, at 1:00pm**

Meeting Location: **Fox Room, 1000 Lake View Drive, Wausau, WI 54403**

**Members:** John Beatty, Eric Donaldson, Carrie Edmondson, Jami Gebert, Darryl Landeau, Dave Meurett, Mark Thuot, Ryan VanDeWalle, Tim Vergara, Hooshang Zeyghami, Aaron Anklam, Laurie Miskimins

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- 1. Call Meeting to Order**
- 2. Approval of Minutes: April 9, 2026, Bike/Ped Sub-Committee Meeting**
- 3. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**
  - A. Wausau MPO Pedal Passport
  - B. Wausau MPO Bicycle Map
  - C. Bicycle Friendly Community (BFC) Application
  - D. **Wisconsin River Loop**
  - E. Updates/Comments from Committee Members
- 4. Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements, and Future Agenda Items**
  - A. Next Meeting Date & Time – TBD
  - B. Future Agenda Items – TBD
- 5. Adjournment**

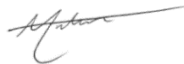
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**EMAILED TO:** Courthouse, WDH, City Pages, and other Media Groups

**EMAILED BY:** AA

**DATE:** 5/29/2026

**EMAIL TIME:** 2:30pm

  
**SIGNED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**PRESIDING OFFICER OR DESIGNEE**

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**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION'S  
BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**Meeting Attendance:** Aaron Anklam, MaKayla Galecki (Wausau MPO Staff), Mark Thuot (City of Schofield), Carrie Edmonson (City of Wausau), John Beatty (Village of Rib Mountain), Jamie Gerbert (Village of Weston), Hooshang Zeyghami (Village of Weston) Darryl Landeau (NCWRPC), Eric Donaldson (Village of Kronenwetter), William Bertram (Greater Wausau Prosperity Partnership), Ryan Vandewalle (Village of Rothschild), Daniel Higginbotham, Andy Foust ?

1. Call Meeting to Order

In the presence of a quorum, with the agenda being properly signed and posted, the meeting was called to order by Aaron Anklam at 1:00 p.m. in the Wisconsin Room, 1000 Lake View Drive, Wausau, WI 54403 and virtually via WebEx.

2. Approval of Minutes: March 5, 2026, Bike/Ped Sub-Committee Meeting

**Action: Motion/Second by Zeyghami/Edmondson to approve March 5, 2026, MPO Bike/Ped Minutes. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.**

3. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion

A. Wausau MPO Pedal Passport

Discussion: The Pedal Passport is on track for a May launch. Visit Wausau is finalizing materials, beginning advertising, and preparing prizes. An email announcement will be shared once the launch page is live.

B. E-bicycle Model Ordinance

Discussion: Anklam reviewed updates made per the group's requests. Weston and Rothschild support adopting the ordinance; Kronenwetter supports the content but asked about the adoption process. Anklam clarified that each municipality must adopt the ordinance individually, Kronenwetter plans to seek public feedback. Approval is anticipated in April–May. Anklam will share the Word document with the group.

C. Bicycle Map Update

Discussion: A link to the updated bike map will be emailed later this month for feedback. The map is still scheduled for a May release and can be revised after publication.

D. Call For Bike Month Events

Discussion: Galecki requested each municipality's list of May Bike Month events. Events mentioned include Bike to Work with the Mayor (May 12), a COW social ride (May 15), Rib Mountain's annual events, the annual open house, a bike-themed scavenger hunt, Wheelers event on May 21, a possible bike rodeo in Weston, and Bike and Walk for the Health of It in Kronenwetter.

E. Bicycle Friendly Community Application

**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION – Bicycle & Pedestrian Sub-Committee**

Discussion: Galecki reviewed the spreadsheet included in the packet and asked members to download and complete it. At minimum, each municipality must submit the “current” and “planned facilities” tabs. The spreadsheet is from the League of American Bicyclists and includes guidance tabs. Municipalities are encouraged to forward it to public works staff for completion.

F. Bike/Ped Counters:

Discussion: Anklam states MPO Staff will be dispersing Counters this month. He requests the group send him an email with locations they would like to have data for. 12 Total counters, one mountain bike counter. Anklam reminds the group of the criteria for placing the counters. Counters would be placed from mid to end of April through October. Software discussion (????) do I even include this, I do not know?

G. Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A)

Discussion: Anklam announced that MPO staff will distribute counters this month and asked members to email preferred locations. There are 12 counters total, including one for mountain biking. He reminded the group of placement criteria. Counters will be deployed from mid-April through October.

H. IRONBULL- COR Trail

Discussion: Bertram presented an overview of the proposed COR trail around Wausau, designed for both commuting and recreation. It would function like a spoke system and attract high usage, similar to the Green Circle Trail. He is seeking solutions for connecting the City to new gravel routes being built this year. The group discussed potential route modifications, signage clarity, and integration with existing loops. Anklam explained that MPO routes would need to be officially updated before redesign and signing. Landeau suggested revisiting this during the bike/ped plan overhaul. The topic will return to the committee with a formal recommendation.

I. Updates/ Comments from Committee Members

Discussion: Safe Routes to School Plans were completed for Stetting and Mosinee, as well as a school within the DC Everest District. Plans for the remaining schools are in place.

4. Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements, and Agenda Items for Next Meeting Date

A. Next Meeting Date and Time – Thursday, May 7, 2026, 1:00pm

B. Future Agenda Items –Members are asked to bring items for discussion. COR trail, bike counters?

5. Adjournment

**Action: There being no further business before the members, Motion/Second by Landeau/Beatty to adjourn the meeting of the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission Bicycle and Pedestrian Sub-Committee at 2:19 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.**

Submitted by:

**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION – Bicycle & Pedestrian Sub-Committee**

Aaron Anklam, Transportation Planner  
Wausau MPO  
Marathon County Conservation, Planning and Zoning



## **Wausau MPO Bike Map**

<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/d3fec8b6510e46e8bc17164bf9e21dc7/>

## **Wausau MPO Pedal Passport**

<https://www.visitwausau.com/things-to-do/wausau-area-passes/#>

**Page: Application Intro**

**Community Name:**

Wausau MPO

**Has the community applied to the Bicycle Friendly Community program before?**

Returning Application > Applying for Higher Award Level

**What year was the community's most recent BFC application?**

2015

**What was the result of the community's most recent BFC application?**

Bronze

*If awarded, the following links will appear on your BFA Award Profile on the League's Connect Locally Map (<http://bikeleague.org/bfa/search/map?bfaq=>) and may be used to promote your community's BFC status through League social media channels.*

**Community Website:**

<https://wausaumpo.org/> (<https://wausaumpo.org/>)

**Community's Facebook URL:**

**Community's Instagram URL:**

**Community's other social media URL:**

**Community's Flickr or other public photo sharing URL:**

**Page: Contact Information**

**Applicant First Name**

MaKayla

**Applicant Last Name**

Galecki

**Job Title**

Planning Technician

**Department**

Marathon County Conservation, Planning, & Zoning

**Employer**

Wausau MPO

**Street Address (No PO Box, please)**

1100 Lakeview Ave

**City**

Wausau

**State**

Wisconsin

**Zip**

54403

**Phone #**

7152616043

**Applicant Email Address**

mpo@marathoncounty.gov

**Did you work with any other local government agencies, departments, or city staff on this application?**

Yes

**Please list up to 10 additional government agency contacts.**

**Agency Contacts**

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Ryan VandeWalle  
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John Beatty  
Rib Mountain Bike Ped  
Group Representative

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**Did you work with any local advocacy organizations or citizen volunteers on this application?**

Yes

**Please list up to 10 additional local advocacy contacts.**

**Advocacy Contacts**

Brittany Kirsch  
Wisconsin Bike Fed  
Marathon County Adult Education Representative

**Are there other local bicycle, active transportation, or transportation equity advocacy groups in your community not already identified?**

Yes

**Please list the primary contact for each organization or group.**

**Additional Advocacy Contacts**

*(For internal use only.)*

**Name:**

Doug Diny

**Title:**

Mayor of Wausau

**Email:**

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**City**

Wausau

**State**

Wisconsin

**Zip**

54401

**Page: Community Profile pt. 1**

**Please note:** The application will refer to your type of jurisdiction as **'community'** throughout the application, which should not include any bicycle amenities, services and other resources outside your boundaries.

**A1. Name of Community:**

Wausau MPO

**A2. Name of County/Borough/Parish:**

Marathon

**A3. State:**

Wisconsin

If you haven't already, we strongly encourage you to reach out to your statewide bicycle advocacy organization, Bicycle Federation of Wisconsin, to work with you on this application. They have helped other communities like yours to successfully complete the BFC application. Learn more at: [www.wisconsinbikefed.org](http://www.wisconsinbikefed.org) (<http://www.wisconsinbikefed.org>).

**A4. Link to map of community boundaries:**

<https://wausaumpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/WisDOT-Approved-Boundary-Map.pdf> (<https://wausaumpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/WisDOT-Approved-Boundary-Map.pdf>)

**A5. Type of Jurisdiction**

Metropolitan Planning Organization/Council of Governments

**A5a. Please list all other local jurisdictions (specific cities, towns, municipalities, or Census Designated Places) that fall within your MPO/COG.**

The Wausau MPO Planning Area Boundary includes the cities of Mosinee, Schofield, and Wausau; the villages of Kronenwetter, Maine, Rothschild, Rib Mountain, and Weston; and the towns of Mosinee, Stettin, Wausau, and Weston.

**A6. Size of community**

104.63

**A7. Total Population:**

83462

**A8. Population Density:**

797.69

For definitions, see FHWA Bikeway Selection Guide (page 20) (<https://bikeleague.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/fhwasa18077.pdf>).

**A9a. Rural**

0%

**A9b. Rural Town**

0%

**A9c. Suburban**

1-24%

**A9d. Urban**

76-100%

**A9e. Urban Core**

1-24%

**A10. What is the street network density of the community?**

**A11. What is the average intersection density?**

**A12. Do any of the following significant physical barriers to cycling exist in your community?**

Major highways or divided arterials with no or limited crossings, Extreme cold/heavy snow, Bridges that are inaccessible or unsafe for cyclists, Large body of water (e.g. river), Railroad corridors

**Page: Community Profile pt. 2**

Find the following information for your community at: <https://data.census.gov/> (<https://data.census.gov/>)

**Click here for detailed instructions to find answers to each question below:**

(Click here to view or hide detailed instructions)

## How to search:

We highly recommend that you do this on a desktop computer as the tables are easier to read on that screen. However, you can still find them from the dropdown menu on your phone or tablet.

### A13. Census Profile Link:

From the main search field at <https://data.census.gov/> (<https://data.census.gov/>), enter your community's name and click the search icon.

From the search results, click "View Profile" on the right hand side.

(e.g. See the profile pages for Madison, WI: [https://data.census.gov/profile/Madison\\_city,\\_Wisconsin?g=160XX00US5548000](https://data.census.gov/profile/Madison_city,_Wisconsin?g=160XX00US5548000) ([https://data.census.gov/profile/Madison\\_city,\\_Wisconsin?g=160XX00US5548000](https://data.census.gov/profile/Madison_city,_Wisconsin?g=160XX00US5548000)); or for Athens – Clarke County, GA: [https://data.census.gov/profile/Athens\\_CCD,\\_Clarke\\_County,\\_Georgia?g=060XX00US1305990138](https://data.census.gov/profile/Athens_CCD,_Clarke_County,_Georgia?g=060XX00US1305990138) ([https://data.census.gov/profile/Athens\\_CCD,\\_Clarke\\_County,\\_Georgia?g=060XX00US1305990138](https://data.census.gov/profile/Athens_CCD,_Clarke_County,_Georgia?g=060XX00US1305990138)))

**IF YOUR COMMUNITY DOES NOT FALL NEATLY INTO A CENSUS PLACE:** Please use A13 to provide the link to your best source of the following data for all of the following questions below. For questions A14-A21, please provide best estimates for each question. Use the space provided in question A22 to provide any additional information or context about your community to help our reviewers better understand your socioeconomic and demographic details for your community.

### A14. Median Age, and Percent of Population that is under 18 or 65 years and over

**Tip:** This data is available under the "Populations and People" section of your community's census profile page. "Median Age" is shown at the top of the "Populations and People" section. To find the Percent of the Population that is under 18 or 65 and over, click on Table "S0101" and scroll down to "SELECTED AGE CATEGORIES" then scroll to the right to find the Percent column. Find and enter the Percent for both "Under 18 years" (A14b) and "65 years and over" (A14c).

### A15. Percent of the Population that Speaks a Language Other Than English at Home

Click on the "Populations and People" section of your community's census profile page, and then scroll down to "Language Spoken at Home". Enter the number listed above "Language Other Than English Spoken at Home in (your community)" on the left in question A15.

You can also click on Table "S1601" for a more detailed breakdown of the languages spoken at home in your community.

### A16. Median Household Income

This data is listed at the top of your community's census profile page, or can be found by clicking on the "Income and Poverty" section or on Table "S1901" for your community.

### A17. Poverty Rate

This data is available under the "Income and Poverty" section of your community's census profile page. Click on "Income and Poverty" from the top menu bar of your community's profile page, and scroll down to "Poverty".

### A18. Bicycle Commute Rates by Sex

From your community's census profile page, click on the "Employment" section and then scroll down to "Commuting" and click on **Table S0801: COMMUTING CHARACTERISTICS BY SEX**. On table S0801, select the most recent **5-Year Estimates Subject Table**, then find "Means of Transportation to Work" and scroll down to the row that says "Bicycle". Scroll to the right to find the percentages for **Total Estimate**, **Male Estimate**, and **Female Estimate** in the "Bicycle" row.

### A19. Percent of Household with No Vehicles Available

From your Census profile link, click on the "Housing" section and then click on Table "DP04". Once on table DP04, scroll to the section "VEHICLES AVAILABLE" to find the information for this question. **Scroll to the right to find the percentage for your community next to "No vehicles available"**.

**A20. Disability Characteristics**

From your Census profile link, click on the "Health" section and then the "Disability" section. Enter the number listed above "Disabled Population in (your community)" on the left in question A20a. Questions A20b-e can be found on the bar graphs on the left in this same section.

**A21. Racial & Ethnicity distribution**

**Tip:** From your community's census profile page, click on the "Race and Ethnicity" section and then click on Table P8 and then DP05 "ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates" and then scroll down to "RACE". **Scroll to the right to find the Percent column.**

For the first six categories below (A21a-f), enter the percentage numbers found for that category under "One Race" and then enter the total percentage listed for "Two or more races" (A21g). Scroll down to the "HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE" section to find the total percentage for "Hispanic or Latino (of any race)" (A21h).

**A13. Census Profile link:**

<https://www.marathoncountypulse.org/indicators> (<https://www.marathoncountypulse.org/indicators>)

**A14a. Median Age in community:**

38.2

**A14b. Percent of Population that is Under 18 years of age:**

21.29

**A14c. Percent of Population that is 65 years and over:**

21.13

**A15. Percent of the Population that Speaks a Language Other Than English at Home:**

12.2

**A16. Median Household Income:**

66,430

**A17. Poverty Rate:**

14.6

**Enter numbers only - answer must be in ##.## format.**

**A18a. Total Bicycle Commuters:**

0.63

**A18b. Male Bicycle Commuters:**

2

**A18c. Female Bicycle Commuters:**

0.5

**A19. Percent of Household with No Vehicles Available:**

2.5

**\*Note:** The League recognizes that not every disability is visible to others, and that not every person with a permanent or temporary mobility or accessibility need identifies as 'disabled'. Whether from a cognitive, sensory, or physical disability, or from age, temporary illness, or injury, there are people in every community who face a range of mobility challenges for whom a bike or cycle may open a world of possibilities to increase accessibility.

For examples, see "Disabled People Ride Bikes (and Trikes, and Tandems and Recumbents)!" (<https://rootedinrights.org/video/disabled-bikers/>) a short film produced by Rooted in Rights (<https://rootedinrights.org/>).

We invite BFC applicants to consider what visible and invisible disabilities and other mobility needs may exist in your community, and if you aren't already, to use the BFC application as a starting place to engage directly with people with disabilities and other mobility needs in your community to ensure that your bicycle network, classes, events, and rides are inclusive and accessible to all.

**A20a. Total percent of "Disabled Population":**

12.8

**A20b. Percent of population with a hearing difficulty:**

3.7

**A20c. Percent of population with a vision difficulty:**

1.9

**A20d. Percent of population with a cognitive difficulty:**

5.3

**A20e. Percent of population with an ambulatory difficulty:**

5.5

*Enter numbers only - answers must be in ##.## format.*

**A21a. White:**

75.44

**A21b. Black or African American:**

1.98

**A21c. American Indian and Alaska Native:**

0.62

**A21d. Asian:**

11.69

**A21e. Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander:**

0.04

**A21f. Some other race:**

0.31

**A21g. Two or more races:**

4.66

**A21h. Hispanic or Latino (of any race):**

5.26

**A22. If you have any other socioeconomic or demographic data from your community that you feel is significant for the BFC review team to better understand your community, please use this space to describe.**

**Page: Engineering**

**B1. Does your community currently have any of the following policies in place? Check all that apply.**

None of the above

The BFC program recommends that every community adopt a Complete Streets resolution or ordinance and develop a system to ensure compliance. The National Complete Streets Coalition offers great resources including sample policies, at **completestreets.org** (<http://completestreets.org/>).

For an example of a local ordinance that requires the construction or upgrade of context-appropriate, low stress bicycle facilities when streets are reconstructed, see Cambridge, MA's 2019 Cycling Safety Ordinance. (<https://www.cambridgema.gov/streetsandtransportation/policiesordinancesandplans/cyclingsafetyordinance>)

**B2. Does your community have bicycle facility selection criteria that increases separation and protection of bicyclists based on levels of motor vehicle speed and volume?**

No

**B3. Has your community adopted a design manual or guidelines that establish minimum standards for the design of safe, comfortable, and accessible bicycle facilities?**

Yes

**B3a. Please provide a link to your community's bicycle facility design manual or guidelines.**

<https://dpla.wisc.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/1021/2022/07/JHughes-Professional-Project-Report-for-DPLA.pdf> (<https://dpla.wisc.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/1021/2022/07/JHughes-Professional-Project-Report-for-DPLA.pdf>)

**B3b. Do/es the manual or guidelines incorporate, reference, or follow any of the following standards? Select all that apply**

None of the above

**B4. Does your community currently have any of the following land use or development policies in place that promote shorter distances between homes and destinations?**

Mixed-use zoning or incentives, Affordable Housing policy or plan, Urban Growth Boundary or similar

**B5. Does your community currently have any of the following policies or ordinances in place related to motor vehicle parking or traffic?**

Paid public car parking

**B6. Does your community have any of the following additional policies or standards that support the development of bicycle infrastructure?**

None of the above

**B7. Does your community have any of the following other policies, standards, or other barriers that limit the development of bicycle infrastructure?**

More than 40% of the community's public roadways are owned or managed by an entity other than the applicant (e.g. county or state roads on a municipal application or local roads on a county application)

**B8. What policies or programs are in place to ensure that high quality bike parking is available throughout the community?**

Bike parking ordinance for existing buildings specifying amount and location , Bike parking ordinance for all new developments specifying amount and location

**B9. Does your community have bicycle parking design standards that establish minimum requirements for the quality, security, and design of bike parking?**

No

Find the APBP Guidelines (<https://www.apbp.org/bicycle-parking-solutions>) here.

**B10. What percentage of public and private bike racks conform with APBP guidelines?**

More than 75%

**B11. What, if any, end-of-trip facilities are available to the general public in your community?**

Public bicycle repair or fix-it stations, Public air pumps, Public uncovered bike racks

**B12. Has your community taken any of the following steps to increase the accessibility and equitable distribution of end-of-trip facilities, including bike parking?**

Other

**B12a. If other, please describe.**

Within the City of Wausau, they recently released an application for businesses to fill out if they would like bike parking installed within the City right-of-way.

*The Bicycle Friendly Community program has updated our questions around on- and off-street bicycle facilities with the goal of encouraging communities to focus on building cohesive, connected bicycle networks, as opposed to piecemeal bike facilities. This update reflects the Safe System Approach ([https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/zerodeaths/docs/FHWA\\_SafeSystem\\_Brochure\\_V9\\_508\\_200717.pdf](https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/zerodeaths/docs/FHWA_SafeSystem_Brochure_V9_508_200717.pdf)) and emphasizes slow design speed and the importance of building safe, low-stress bicycle networks that are comfortable, equitable, and accessible to all cyclists.*

*The following section has been developed using national guidance and standards such as FHWA's Bikeway Design Guide (<https://bikeleague.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/fhwasa18077.pdf>) and Small Town and Rural Design Guide ([https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle\\_pedestrian/publications/small\\_towns/fhwahep17024\\_lg.pdf](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle_pedestrian/publications/small_towns/fhwahep17024_lg.pdf)), as well as NACTO's Designing for All Ages and Abilities contextual guide ([https://nacto.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/NACTO\\_Designing-for-All-Ages-Abilities.pdf](https://nacto.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/NACTO_Designing-for-All-Ages-Abilities.pdf)) and updated (2025) Urban Bikeway Design Guide (<https://nacto.org/publication/urban-bikeway-design-guide/>).*

*As guidance and best practices continue to advance around building safe, accessible, and equitable facilities for cycling, we will continue to follow data-driven standards and encourage every Bicycle Friendly Community to do the same.*

*We also strive to encourage and support every BFC applicant community to better inventory and document their current and planned bikeway facilities to help facilitate future growth in and investments of the network. For more information, see the League's 2022 report, Benchmarking Bike Networks (<https://bikeleague.org/sites/default/files/Benchmarking-Bike-Networks-Report-final.pdf>).*

**B13. Please provide a map to show your community's current bicycle network, including all current on- and off- street bike facilities.**

I would like to link to an online map

**B13a. Bicycle Network Map URL:**

<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/d3fec8b6510e46e8bc17164bf9e21dc7/>  
(<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/d3fec8b6510e46e8bc17164bf9e21dc7/>)

**B13a1. Secondary Bicycle Network Map URL:**

**B13b. Optional comment field to provide more information about link(s):**

**B14. Bicycle Network Worksheet**

No File Uploaded

The following answers for B15a-e should be copied from the "Summary" tab of your completed 2026 BFC Bicycle Network Worksheet ([https://bit.ly/BFC\\_2026\\_B14](https://bit.ly/BFC_2026_B14)).

**B15a. Total current Roadway Network:**

**B15b. Percentage of Roadway Network that is high-speed:**

**B15c. Percentage of Roadway Network that is low-speed:**

**B15d. Percentage of Roadway Network where speed limit is unknown:**

The following answers for B16a-h should be copied from the "Summary" tab of your completed 2026 BFC Bicycle Network Worksheet ([https://bit.ly/BFC\\_2026\\_B14](https://bit.ly/BFC_2026_B14)). The worksheet also includes explanations for how these numbers are calculated (for example, what counts as "low-stress").

**B16a. Total current mileage of on-street bike facilities:**

**B16b. Total current mileage of off-street bike facilities:**

**B16c. Total current mileage of Bicycle Network (ALL on-street and off-street facilities):**

**B16d. Total current mileage of other markings and features:**

**B16e. Ratio of Total Current Bicycle Network to Roadway Network:**

**B16f. Percentage of Roads with ANY on-street bike facilities:**

**B16g. Percentage of Roads with LOW-STRESS on-street bike facilities**

**B16h. Percentage of ALL bike facilities and other markings or features that are LOW-STRESS:**

**B17. Within the last five years, has your community ever removed a bicycle facility without an improved replacement?**

The following answers for B18a-f should be copied from the "Summary" tab of your completed 2026 BFC Bicycle Network Worksheet ([https://bit.ly/BFC\\_2026\\_B14](https://bit.ly/BFC_2026_B14)). The worksheet also includes explanations for how these numbers are calculated (for example, what counts as "low-stress").

**B18a. Planned On-Road Bike Facilities:**

**B18b. Planned Off-Road Bike Facilities:**

**B18c. Planned LOW-STRESS Bike Facilities:**

**B18d. Planned other markings & features:**

**B18e. Plans to upgrade any existing bike facilities:**

**B18f. Plans to lower speed limits or design speeds of any existing roads:**

**B19. Which of the following features are provided to improve safety for bicyclists and pedestrians at off-street and side path crossings of roads with motor vehicle traffic?**

Bike/pedestrian overpasses/underpasses, Refuge islands, Path crossing with high visibility markings/signs/ HAWK signals/ Rapid Flashing Beacons, Signalized crossings, Stop signs for vehicle traffic

**B20. How has your community worked to calm traffic and slow down motor vehicles to increase safety for all roadway users?**

Lowered speed limit on a local road in the last 4 years, Physically altered the road layout or appearance of existing roads to lower their design speeds for motor vehicles (e.g. road diet, installing chicanes or curb bump-outs), Speed feedback signs/cameras

**B21. In what other ways has your community improved connectivity and riding conditions for bicyclists?**

"Cut-throughs" that improve connectivity for bicyclists (e.g. connecting dead-ends or cul-de-sacs), Parallel but separated paths for bicyclists and pedestrians, Signage or markings to designate right-of-way on shared-use paths

**B22. How has your community incorporated principles of safety, comfort & attractiveness in the development of your bicycle network?**

Street lighting on most arterials, Street lighting on most non-arterials, Lighting on most shared-use paths, Lighting on some shared-use paths, Benches or other seating options added along bike routes/facilities, Drinking fountain or water bottle filling stations added along bike routes/facilities, Historical or cultural information

**B22b. Please describe any efforts to incorporate historical or cultural information in your community's bicycle network.**

On multi-use paths, posters are printed along the routes, explaining what the land was previously used for. This often pertains to Wausau's hand in the lumber industry.

**B22b. Historical or Cultural Information - Optional File Upload:**

No File Uploaded

**B23. Are there any signalized intersections in your community?**

Yes

**B23a. Which of the following accommodations are available at signalized intersections to improve conditions for bicyclists?**

Leading Pedestrian Intervals, Demand activated signals with loop detector (and marking), Push-buttons that are accessible from the road or trail/side path, Push-buttons are designed and located at an accessible height for a variety of users, Timed signals, Refuge islands, Right corner islands ("pork chops"), Right-on-red restrictions in certain signalized intersections

**B24. Has your community taken any of the following actions to make bicycle infrastructure more inclusive and accessible to cyclists of all ages and abilities, including people with physical or cognitive disabilities?**

None of the above

**B25. Which of the following mechanisms are in place for bicyclists to identify problem areas or hazards to the appropriate department (public works, transportation, etc.)?**

Contact staff directly via call/voicemail/email/text, Signage is posted along bike routes/paths with instructions on how to report hazards to the appropriate department

**B26. Does your community have any of the following policies, standards, or mechanisms to ensure the ongoing maintenance of bike facilities?**

Policy or set schedule for routine maintenance of on-street bike facilities (e.g. sweeping or repainting bike lanes), Policy or set schedule for routine maintenance of off-street bike facilities (e.g. repaving or vegetation maintenance), Policy or standards for clearing snow and ice from on- and/or off-street bikes facilities

**B26a1. Sweeping**

Before other travel lanes

**B26a2. Pothole maintenance/ surface repair**

Within one week of complaint

**B26a3. Restriping/ repainting markings**

Annually

**B26b1. Sweeping**

As needed

**B26b2. Vegetation maintenance**

As needed

**B26b3. Surface repair**

Within one month of complaint or longer

**B26b4. Restriping/ repainting markings**

As needed

**B26c1. On-street bicycle facilities**

Same time as other travel lanes

**B26c2. Off-street bicycle and shared use facilities**

Same time as roadways

**B27. Does your community have a rail transit, bus, or other public transportation system?**

Yes

**B27a. Which of the following types of public transportation are offered in your community?**

Public buses, Paratransit

**What percentage of your community's public buses are equipped with bike racks?**

100%

**Are bikes allowed inside public buses?**

None of the above

**What percentage of bus stops are equipped with secure and convenient bike parking?**

11-25%

**What percentage of Paratransit vehicles are equipped with accessible bike racks?**

None

**Are adaptive cycles allowed inside Paratransit vehicles?**

None of the above

**B27b. Has your community made specific bicycle infrastructure investments around major transit stops or stations to improve multi-modal mobility options?**

No

**B27c. How are residents and visitors encouraged to combine cycling and public transportation?**

Brochure(s) describing bike rack use/how to store bikes inside a transit vehicle(s), Video(s) describing bike rack use/how to store bikes inside a transit vehicle(s)

*Exclude any private bike sharing systems that are limited to employees of a certain business or students of a certain university.*

**B28. Does your community currently have a community-wide bike sharing program that is open to the general public?**

Yes

*Click "Add Bike Share Program" below to answer questions B28a-g for each bike share program in your community. You may add up to three (3) community-wide bike share programs below.*

**Bike Share Programs**

Bike Share Programs

**Program Name:** Wausau Rides

**URL:** <https://www.tandem-mobility.com/wausau-rides>

**Year Launched:** 2019

**Status:** Permanent/long-term

**Groups Involved:** Local Government (Applicant Community), Neighboring Jurisdiction(s) (including MPO or other regional agencies)

**Number of Bikes:** 9

**System Type:** Short-term bike rentals

**Number of Stations:** (if applicable)

**Average Station Density:** (if applicable)

**Adaptive Cycle Program Details, if applicable:**

**B28h. How many trips were made in the last calendar year?**

452

**B28i. What specific efforts, if any, have been made to make the bike sharing program more equitable and accessible, including for low-income populations, people with disabilities, and/or non-English speakers?**

Community outreach

**B28j. Do(es) your bike share program(s) make ridership publicly available online?**

No

**B29. Which of the following permanent recreational or educational bicycling facilities are available within your community boundaries?**

Mountain bike park, Gravel riding park, Bicycle-accessible skate park, Snow/Fat tire bike trails, Signed loop route(s) around the community

**B30. Please list all communities or jurisdictions that directly border your community, and their current BFC status.**

**B31. How, if at all, is your community coordinating with neighboring communities and other local jurisdictions (neighboring cities or towns, and/or the surrounding county or MPO/RPO) to ensure that people traveling by bike between jurisdictions will find a connected, cohesive network?**

**B32. Has your community partnered with any neighboring jurisdictions or other local communities in support of legislative policies at the state, county, or regional level?**

No

**B33. Describe any other policies, amenities, infrastructure improvements or maintenance programs that your community provides or requires that create a comfortable and attractive bicycling environment for bicyclists.**

**B34. If this is a renewing application, please summarize the biggest changes to your community's bicycle-related Engineering efforts or investments since your last BFC application.**

**Page: Education**

Are schools in your community getting students Ready to Ride? If any school in your community offers in-school on-bike cycling education - whether through physical education class or another part of the school day - please encourage them to complete the League's Ready to Ride survey ([https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeACMxXRhR3V8eeZI2eRDzJfjQWNXhovtNzEhnJbICEU\\_RigQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeACMxXRhR3V8eeZI2eRDzJfjQWNXhovtNzEhnJbICEU_RigQ/viewform)). The survey helps us understand where school-based on-bike education programs exist, how to support their growth, and how to help others establish these critical programs. If your schools don't yet offer in-school on-bike education, the League provides free resources to help get started at [bikeleague.org/ready-to-ride](https://bikeleague.org/ready-to-ride). (<https://bikeleague.org/ready-to-ride>)

**C1. Do any public, private, or charter elementary schools in your community offer any of the following bicycle education options to students?**

On-bike, in-school cycling instruction is offered during the regular school day for elementary school students, Off-bike cycling instruction (e.g. safety presentations, helmet fitting, STEM lessons, etc.) is offered during the regular school day for elementary school students, On-bike cycling instruction is offered as an after-school extracurricular activity at elementary schools

**C1a. What percentage of all elementary schools (including public, private, and charter) offer in-school, on-bike cycling education?**

1-25%

**C1b. Does the on-bike education/curriculum offered in elementary schools meet the recommended Concepts and Skills on the League's Young Riders Checklist?**

Some, but not all, recommended concepts and skills are taught

**C1c. Who provides the on-bike instruction to students?**

Physical Education Teachers, Outside Partner Organization(s)

**C1d. Are bicycles provided to elementary school students by the school district, municipality, non-profit or other entity to allow every student the opportunity to participate in on-bike instruction?**

Yes, bicycles are provided to all students

**C1d1. If yes, does the fleet include adaptive bikes for elementary school students with physical and/or cognitive disabilities?**

No

**C1e. Approximately how many elementary school students receive on-bike education annually?**

200

**C1f. What actions, if any, have been taken to ensure this bike education is open, equitable, and accessible to all elementary school students?**

**C1g. What kinds of off-bike education/curriculum is offered in elementary schools? Check all that apply.**

ABC Quick Check, Proper helmet fit

**C2. Do any public, private, or charter middle schools in your community offer any of the following bicycle education options to students?**

None of the above

**C3. Do any public, private, or charter high schools in your community offer any of the following bicycle education options to students?**

On-bike cycling instruction is offered as an after-school extracurricular activity at high schools, None of the above

**C4. Outside of schools, how are children and youth taught safe cycling skills?**

Learn to ride classes, Bike clinics or rodeos, ABCs of Family Biking, family bike show-and-tell, or similar program focused on families with toddlers and young children, Youth development bike clubs or teams (including road, cross racing, BMX, mountain biking, or other recreational youth cycling clubs or teams that include educational component), Temporary safety towns or traffic gardens, Recreational classes (e.g. trail riding classes, mountain biking clinics, etc.), Helmet fit seminars

**C4b. Please estimate how many total children and youth are reached annually in your community through these out-of-school efforts?**

300

**C5. Are bicycle safety or riding skills-related classes or hands-on instruction offered to adults in your community?**

Yes

**C5a. What type of classes are available for adults? Check all that apply.**

Classes that include on-bike instruction, Online self-directed learning

**C5b. What topics are covered in these classes? Check all that apply.**

Safe riding skills/habits, Bicycle maintenance

**C5c. Who teaches these classes? Check all that apply.**

League Cycling Instructor, Other credentialed bike safety instructor, Local bike shop employee, Local bicycle advocate

**C5c1. Please list the other credentials of your community's bike safety instructors.**

**C5d. On average, how often are these classes offered?**

On Demand

**C5e. Are bicycles provided to adults by the community, non-profit, or other entity to allow every resident to participate in on-bike instruction?**

No

**C5f. Please estimate how many total adults are reached annually in your community through these classes?**

20

**C5g. How has the community made adult bike safety classes and other similar learning opportunities more inclusive and accessible for all members of the community?**

Other

**C5g1. Please describe any other efforts in place to prioritize equity and accessibility in the community's adult bicycling classes.**

Classes are free due to BOTS grant the WI Bike Fed received.

**C6. Which of the following communications methods are used to share bicycle information with adults in your community, at least annually?**

Community newsletter (print or digital), Community maps (print or digital), Handouts or brochures, Welcome packet for new residents, Table or booth at community events

**C7. Which of the following information is shared using the methods checked above?**

Safe riding skills/habits, Traffic Skills/Rules of the Road/Sharing the road with vehicles, Sharing trail or path or pedestrians (e.g. path or trail etiquette) , Traffic laws/ rules of the road, Multi-modal/combining bikes and transit

**C8. In what ways are motorists in your community educated on sharing the road safely with bicyclists, at least annually?**

Public service announcements, Information in new resident packet, Flyer/handout , Bicycle-related traffic signs installed (e.g. Share the Road, Bicycles May Use Full Lane, etc.)

**C9. Which of the following groups of professional drivers in your community routinely receive Bicycle Friendly Driver training or similar?**

None of the above

**C10. Are any of the following educational materials provided to community residents and/or businesses?**

Smart Cycling Quick Guide in English, Online learning (learn.bikeleague.org)

**C11. How many League Cycling Instructors (LCIs) are active (have taught a class in the last year) in your community?**

1

**C12. When was the last time your community hosted a LCI seminar to bring on new instructors?**

Never

**C13. Are there any professional development opportunities, requirements, or incentives, for city agency staff to pursue bicycling safety education?**

Other

**C13a. If other, please describe.**

Training is currently free under BOTS grant obtained by the WI Bike Fed. MPO encourages involvement.

**C14. Do any of the above educational classes, resources, or programs for adults specifically focus on reaching any of the following historically-underrepresented groups?**

None of the above

**C15. Is any demographic or socioeconomic data collected about the participants/students and/or instructors/providers of any of the above learning opportunities offered in the community?**

No

**C16. What, if any, efforts has your community made to increase the diversity and representation of LCIs or other credentialed bike safety instructors in your community in the last 5 years?**

There are not currently LCI's based in our area, however, through the WI Bike Fed, we do have an LCI that commutes to our community for educational programs. We anticipate to have an LCI seminar in the fall.

**C17. Do any of your community's LCIs or other bike safety instructors have any of the following additional trainings or certifications?**

N/A – There are no LCIs or other bike safety instructors in the community

**C18. How else is the community working to make bike education more equitable, accessible, and inclusive to all members of the community?**

Partnerships with local community groups or other government agencies to reach new audiences (see question F4 under Equity & Accessibility to provide more details)

**C19. Describe any other education efforts in your community that promote safe cycling.**

Safe Kids Marathon County routinely participates with partnerships that allow them to get into Marathon County and give away helmets, lights, etc. along with educational materials.

**C20. If this is a renewing application, please summarize the most significant changes to your community's bicycle Education efforts or investments since your last BFC application.**

SRTS plans have been completed for the majority of the municipalities within the MPO. DC Everest School District recently obtained a fleet of 200 bicycles for their students for on-bike training.

**Page: Encouragement**

**D1. Which of the following community-wide bicycle encouragement programs or policies exist in your community?**

Local business incentive program that rewards customers arriving by bicycle (e.g. Bicycle Benefits, etc.)

**D1d. Please provide a link to your local business incentive program.**

<https://www.visitwausau.com/things-to-do/wausau-area-passes/#:~:text=the%20delicious%20deals!-,PEDAL%20PASSPORT%C2%A0%F0%9F%9A%B2,-Grab%20your%20bike>  
(<https://www.visitwausau.com/things-to-do/wausau-area-passes/#:~:text=the%20delicious%20deals!-,PEDAL%20PASSPORT%C2%A0%F0%9F%9A%B2,-Grab%20your%20bike>)

**D2. What other (non-bike specific) groups, agencies, or institutions actively promote and encourage bicycling in the community? Check all that apply**

Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Board

**D2a. For EACH category checked in D2, please provide an example of how this group, agency, or institution promotes or encourages bicycling in the community.**

Visit Wausau has branded the greater Wausau are as "Wisconsin's Basecamp" with offroad bicycling at the center of the attraction. The campaign boasts a large presence of the mountain and gravel biking our area has to offer.

**D3. Does your community actively promote the League of American Bicyclists' Bicycle Friendly Business (BFB) or Bicycle Friendly University (BFU) programs in your community?**

No

The Bicycle Friendly Business (<https://bikeleague.org/business>) and Bicycle Friendly University (<https://bikeleague.org/university>) programs can be great tools to increase ridership in your community. Learn more and find resources to help you promote these programs at [bikeleague.org/bfa/toolkit](https://bikeleague.org/bfa/toolkit) (<https://bikeleague.org/bfa/toolkit>).

**D4. What up-to-date mapping and route-finding information is available for your community? Check all that apply.**

Printed/digital bicycle network map , Printed/digital mountain bike trails map, Printed/digital Safe Routes to Schools map(s)

**D5. How is bicycling typically promoted in your community at least annually or regularly throughout the year?**

Celebrate National Bike Month (and/or a state-specific Bike Month), Bike to Work Day(s), Bike To School Day(s), Mayor-led/Council-led rides, Open Streets/Ciclovia/Sunday Parkways, Family-friendly group rides or events (e.g. riding with young children), Charity rides, Non-competitive, no-drop group rides, Triathlons and bicycle races

**D5a. Provide a link to your community's Bike Month or Bike to Work Day website:**

<https://wisconsinbikefed.org/events/ausaus-bike-to-work-with-the-mayor/> (<https://wisconsinbikefed.org/events/ausaus-bike-to-work-with-the-mayor/>)

**D6. How does the municipality sponsor or actively support bicycle events in the community? Check all that apply.**

Organize event(s), Fund event(s), Contribute in-kind funding (i.e. police presence, closing roads, etc.), Assist in promoting event(s)

**D7. Do any of the above events or encouragement efforts specifically focus on reaching any of the following historically-underrepresented groups?**

None of the above

**D8. How else is the community working to make bike encouragement efforts more equitable, accessible, and inclusive to all members of the community?**

Promotional information, maps, calendars, and other resources are available in language(s) other than English

**D9. Are there any organized social or recreational cycling clubs or groups for adults in your community?**

Yes

**D9a. Please provide details for each cycling club, group, or team that is active in your community.**

Social or Recreational Clubs or Groups

**Wausau Wheelers**

**Website:** <https://wausauwheelers.org/>

**Type:** Recreational bike club, Off-Road or gravel riding club or group

**Contact:** Todd Treu, [pres.wausauwheelers@gmail.com](mailto:pres.wausauwheelers@gmail.com)

**Involved in App?** No

**CWOCC**

**Website:** <https://cwocc.org/>

**Type:** Recreational bike club, Mountain bike club

**Contact:** Aaron Ruff, [Aaron.Ruff@marathoncounty.gov](mailto:Aaron.Ruff@marathoncounty.gov)

**Involved in App?** Yes

**Wausau United Ride**

**Website:** <https://wausaumtb.org/>

**Type:** Mountain bike club, Racing club or team

**Contact:** Andy Faust, [wurideinfo@gmail.com](mailto:wurideinfo@gmail.com)

**Involved in App?**

**D9b. Is there anything else you would like to share about the social or recreational cycling clubs or groups that are active in your community?**

Wausau Wheelers and CWOCC both have multiple riding groups within the organizations. This includes rides that are at different speeds, abilities, interests. In addition to co-ed rides, both have group rides designated for women only.

**D10. Does your community have any of the following youth programs centered on encouraging cycling for children and youth?**

Safe Routes to School program, Youth cycling club(s), Youth mountain biking club/team, NICA (National Interscholastic Cycling Association) or similar youth racing team(s)

**D11. What public or private programs are in place to provide youth and/or adult bicyclists with necessary equipment and accessories?**

Helmet giveaways or subsidy program, Bike light giveaways or subsidy program

**D12. What programs or services does your community use to reduce the risk of bicycle theft, beyond providing secure bike parking?**

Free, voluntary bicycle registration system (e.g. local registration system, Bike Index, Project 529), Security cameras near public bike parking, Bike racks in well-lit, visible locations

**D13. What is the ratio of for-profit specialty bicycle retailers (shops dedicated primarily to selling bikes and bike-related equipment) to population within your community's boundaries?**

1 shop for every 15,001-30,000 residents

**D14. Are there any bike co-ops or non-profit community bike shops within the community's boundaries?**

No

**D15. Has the community taken any steps to reduce vehicle miles traveled or to encourage biking among its own employees conducting work-related trips?**

Telecommuting policy

**D16. Describe any other events, programs or policies your community has to encourage and promote bicycling.**

The Pedal Passport (made available through a partnership between Visit Wausau and Wausau MPO) program incentivizes active transportation, getting to local businesses and Green Spaces.

**D17. If this is a renewing application, please summarize the most significant changes to your community's bicycle Encouragement efforts or investments since your last BFC application.**

**Page: Evaluation & Planning**

**E1. Is there a paid bike program manager position or similar primary point of contact for bicycling issues at your local government?**

Yes, a part-time, paid position (this can include a full-time employee whose job responsibilities include bicycling projects, such as an Active Transportation Manager who works on walking, biking, and transit issues.)

**E2. Is there a Safe Routes to School Coordinator position?**

Yes, there is one or more part-time, paid position(s) (can include a FT employee with SRTS as partial responsibility)

**E3. How many paid government employees (including the Bicycle Program Manager and the Safe Routes to Schools Coordinator), expressed in full-time equivalents (FTE), work on bicycle issues in your community?**

*Please download the 2026 FTE worksheet by clicking here ([https://bit.ly/BFC\\_2026\\_E3](https://bit.ly/BFC_2026_E3)) to find guidance on what roles to include, how to calculate the estimates for each role, and how to tally your total FTE estimate. When you are finished, please save your worksheet with the naming convention "**BFC\_2026\_E3 FTE Worksheet\_ YOUR COMMUNITY NAME.xlsx**" and upload the worksheet below. If you have any questions, please contact [bfa@bikeleague.org](mailto:bfa@bikeleague.org).*

**E3a. Please upload your completed FTE worksheet here:**

No File Uploaded

**E4. Does your local government provide or cover the cost of any of the following professional development opportunities for employees who have bicycle-related responsibilities?**

League Cycling Instructor (LCI) certification

**E5. Does your community have an officially-recognized Bicycle Advisory Committee?**

Yes

**E5a. How often does the committee meet?**

Quarterly

**E5b. First Name:**

Aaron

**E5b. Last Name:**

Anklam

**E5b. Email:**

Aaron.Anklam2@marathoncounty.gov

**E5c. Which of the following groups are represented on the Bicycle Advisory Committee?**

Local bike advocacy organization or citizen advocate(s), Transportation Department, Planning Department, Transit Agency, County/MPO/RPO transportation officials, Public Health Agency

**E5d. Please describe what, if any, efforts the community has made to ensure that your Bicycle Advisory Committee is inclusive and representative of the full range of cyclists in your community?**

**E6. What systems are in place to inform, consult, involve, collaborate, and/or empower citizens in your community to be engaged in the bicycle planning process?**

Public Engagement Plan(s) for bicycle project(s) or plan(s), Dedicated website

**E6c. Please provide a link to the dedicated website:**

<https://bicyclewausau.org/> (<https://bicyclewausau.org/>)

**E6d. Does your dedicated website include any of the following information, tools, or features?**

Contact information and/or online form to provide feedback

**E7. How does your community actively seek public input and engage local residents throughout the ongoing planning process for bicycle infrastructure improvements?**

Project- or plan-specific community advisory or citizen oversight task group(s) or committee(s) appointed by local government, Public Meetings , Tabling at other community events/destinations

**E7b. OPTIONAL – If any Bike Audits have been conducted by city officials, local advocates, or any other member of the community in the past 4 years, please upload their resulting Bike Audit Report here and describe how the Audit has impacted planning or implementation for bicycle improvements in the community.**

No File Uploaded

**E8. How have these engagement opportunities been made more accessible and inclusive to increase the diversity and representation of opinions and perspectives heard?**

In-person tabling or other face-to-face engagement opportunities regularly take place at various popular local community destinations (e.g. local schools, parks, churches, barber shops, grocery stores, etc.), Public meetings are offered both virtually and in-person, Transcripts of public meetings are made available on the community's website, Meeting minutes or summaries of public meetings are made available on the community's website

**E9. Does your community have a comprehensive bicycle master plan or similar section in another document?**

Yes

**E9a. What year was the plan originally adopted?**

2014

**E9a1. Has the plan been updated or revised since it was first adopted?**

Yes

**E9a2. If yes, what year was the plan most recently updated?**

2021

**E9b. Provide a link to the current plan.**

[https://wausaumpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/WausauMPO\\_BikePedPlan\\_2021\\_Update.pdf](https://wausaumpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/WausauMPO_BikePedPlan_2021_Update.pdf) ([https://wausaumpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/WausauMPO\\_BikePedPlan\\_2021\\_Update.pdf](https://wausaumpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/WausauMPO_BikePedPlan_2021_Update.pdf))

**E9c. Is there a dedicated budget for implementation of the plan?**

No

**E9d. Does your plan include a specific, measurable goal to increase bicycle facilities?**

No

**E9e. Since the adoption or most recent update of the plan, approximately what percentage of the plan has been implemented?**

Unknown

**E9f. If there is a website to show your community's progress on implementation of the bike plan, please provide the link here:**

**E9g. What steps has your community taken to specifically engage with women, People of Color, people with disabilities, non-English speakers, low-income residents, and/or any other marginalized communities to invite their input and participation on the development and implementation of the bike plan?**

**E10. Does your community pass a budget on a regular basis? (e.g. annual capital budget, operating budget, etc.)**

No

**E10a. If no, please describe how your community organizes its projects and finances for bicycling infrastructure improvements.**

The Wausau MPO is advisory to the communities within the Planning Boundary.

**E10b. If available, please upload the most recent transportation budget or explanation of transportation-related expenses for your community.**

No File Uploaded

**E10c. Approximately what portion of your community's transportation expenses are typically spent on bicycle projects each year?**

**E10d. Optional: Please tell us how you calculated this answer or what you included in the calculation?**

**E11. Is bicycle-related funding consistently specifically allocated to historically underinvested or underrepresented areas of your community?**

No

**E12. Has your community conducted any kind of connectivity analysis for the bicycle network?**

No

**E13. Does your community have a performance measurement program for biking or active transportation infrastructure?**

No

**E14. How does your community collect information on bicycle usage? Check all that apply.**

Temporary or mobile automated /electronic bicycle counters, App-based or other opt-in electronic data collection (e.g. Strava Metro, Dero Zap, etc.)

*Additional files may be uploaded at the end of the application.*

**E14a. Utilitarian ridership data collected locally (e.g. bicycle trips for commuting, running errands, transportation, etc.)**

No File Uploaded

**E14b. Recreational ridership data collected locally (e.g. rides solely for exercise or fun.)**

No File Uploaded

**E14c. Demographic ridership data collected locally (e.g. rider age, race, gender, etc.)**

No File Uploaded

**E14d. School ridership data collected locally (e.g. rides by or with K-12 or younger children – either riding on their own or being carried in a child seat, trailer, etc.)**

No File Uploaded

**E14e. Other ridership data (e.g. any other bicycle ridership data collected locally that doesn't fall under the above categories.)**

No File Uploaded

**E15. What is your best estimate for your community's current bicycle mode share?**

**E16. Does your community establish target goals for bicycle use? (e.g. a certain level of bicycle mode share)**

No

**E17. Does your community collect and track bicyclist crash data?**

Yes

**E17a. On average over the past five calendar years, how many bicyclists have been in a crash involving a motor vehicle annually?**

18.4

**E18. Does your community collect and track bicyclist "near misses"?**

No

**E19. On average over the past five calendar years, how many bicyclists have died due to a crash involving a motor vehicle annually?**

0.4

**E20. Has your community conducted any kind of analysis to identify High Injury Networks or to prioritize infrastructure investments based on bicycle crash data?**

Yes

**E20a. If Yes, please provide a brief explanation of the analysis and how it is being used in the planning, prioritization, and implementation processes for bicycle infrastructure.**

**E20b. Please upload any associated data, visualizations and/or maps.**

No File Uploaded

**E20c. Has this analysis included any demographic or socioeconomic details or overlays to better understand who/what neighborhoods of the community are most impacted by traffic violence?**

No

**E21. Has the community set a goal or established a policy or plan to eliminate traffic fatalities within the next 20 years or less?**

No

**E22. Are there any local or statewide traffic ordinances or laws in place designed to improve bicyclists' safety in your community?**

It is illegal to park or drive in a bike lane (intersections excepted), Ban on cell phone use while driving , Ban on texting while driving, Safe passing distance law, Law that allows cyclists to treat an unresponsive red light as a stop sign (i.e. "Dead Red" law)

**E23. Do any of the following local ordinances or enforcement practices exist in your community that place restrictions on cyclists or criminalize cycling?**

Local law restricts usage of electric-assist bicycles, Restrictions on sidewalk riding outside of the Central Business District, Restrictions on sidewalk riding inside the Central Business District

**E24. Please describe any efforts in place to evaluate how equitably and effectively any of the laws, ordinances, or enforcement practices describe above are currently applied in the community.**

**E25. Have there been any efforts in the last 5 years to repeal or amend any local laws, ordinances, or enforcement practices that place(d) restrictions on cyclists or criminalize(d) any aspect of cycling or walking in your community?**

No

**E26. What kind of data is currently collected around traffic law enforcement stops, citations and/or arrests in your community?**

Officials are required to report all traffic enforcement stops made of motor vehicle drivers

**E27. How is the data described above shared or made available to increase transparency and accountability around traffic law enforcement stops, citations, and arrests?**

**E28. What, if any, policies or practices does your community have in place to measure and eliminate racial bias in traffic law enforcement, including in-person and automated enforcement practices?**

**E29. Besides the Bicycle Friendly Community program, what other national programs does your community participate in to improve bicycling?**

None of the above

**E30. Describe any other efforts by your community to evaluate and/or plan for bicycle improvements that have not already been covered.**

**E31. If this is a renewing application, please summarize the most significant changes to your community's bicycle Evaluation & Planning efforts or investments since your last BFC application.**

**Page: Equity & Accessibility**

The League defines (<https://bikeleague.org/content/equity-initiative>) "**Equity**" as the just and fair inclusion into a society in which everyone can participate and prosper. The goals of equity must be to create conditions that allow all to reach their full potential, by erasing disparities in race, income, ability, geography, age, gender and sexual orientation.

The principle of equity acknowledges that there are historically underserved and underrepresented populations, and that fairness regarding these unbalanced conditions is needed to assist equality in the provision of effective opportunities to all groups.

"**Accessibility**" refers to improving and increasing access and mobility options for everyone, including, and in particular, for people with disabilities. The League recognizes that not every disability is visible to others, and that not every person with a permanent or temporary mobility or accessibility need identifies as 'disabled'. Whether from a cognitive, sensory, or physical disability, or from age, temporary illness, or injury, there are people in every community who face a range of mobility challenges for whom a bike or cycle may open a world of possibilities to increase accessibility (<https://rootedinrights.org/video/disabled-bikers/>).

We firmly believe that *Equity & Accessibility* are the essential lenses through which all other BFC work must be viewed in order to achieve a Bicycle Friendly America for everyone.

As such, you will find questions and answer options related to improving equity & accessibility throughout the BFC application in each previous "E" section, in addition to this new dedicated "Equity & Accessibility" section.

These Equity & Accessibility updates have been developed thanks to the input and participation of hundreds of communities and local advocates with a wide range of lived experiences and areas of expertise, to whom we are very grateful.

The League presents this new section with the recognition that our work to listen, learn, and engage on the topics of Equity & Accessibility in the BFC program is not yet finished, and never will be. Equity is an ongoing practice and the League will continue to engage with partners, local advocates, and communities in the BFC program to incorporate new ideas, reflect new challenges, and continue to grow and learn. If you have questions, comments, or feedback about the updated BFC application, please email us at [bfa@bikeleague.org](mailto:bfa@bikeleague.org).

Thank you for continuing to learn and engage in this work along with us.

**F1. Does your local government have an internal Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) or similar initiative, department, or position?**

Yes

Please provide contact information for your community's DEI position or primary contact:

**F1a. DEI Contact First Name:**

**F1b. DEI Contact Last Name:**

**F1c. DEI Contact Title/Role:**

**F1d. Department or Agency name:**

**F1e. DEI Contact Email:**

**F1f. Please describe how, if at all, the DEI initiative, department, or position supports equitable bike planning or outreach in the community.**

**F2. Does your community have an officially-recognized DEI or Transportation Equity Committee or similar equity-related advisory committee or working group focused on equity or mobility justice issues?**

No

**F3. Does your local government have a dedicated Disability Services Department, Office of Disability Rights, or similar department(s) or role(s) dedicated to supporting and advocating for residents with disabilities?**

Yes

**F3a. If yes, please list the name(s) of the department(s) and a primary contact for each.**

**F3b. If yes, please describe how, if at all, these departments or individuals have been involved in improving accessibility for cyclists with physical or cognitive disabilities in the community.**

**F4. What types of partnerships has the community established to reach new audiences and increase representation and inclusion in your education, encouragement, outreach and/or engagement processes?**

**F4a. For EACH category checked in F4, please list the partner group(s) and briefly describe or summarize the activity or partnership involving that group.**

**F5. Does your community collect or track any other bicycle-related data with socioeconomic and/or demographic details that hasn't already been mentioned elsewhere on this application?**

No

**F6. Has your community established any specific and measurable equity-related goals or performance measures that relate to bicycling, or to transportation more broadly?**

No

**F7. Has your community conducted any equity-centered analysis (e.g., social vulnerability assessment, equity matrix, index, or similar effort) as part of a community Bicycle Master Plan, Vision Zero Action Plan, Safe Routes to School Plan, ADA Transition Plan, or other similar planning effort or document?**

Yes

**F7a. If yes, please provide a brief description of assessment or efforts and any relevant links.**

**F7b. If yes, please summarize the ways this assessment has influenced the decision-making process for the implementation of the related plan or effort?**

**F8. Does your community regularly incorporate any of the following socioeconomic or demographic variables into any planning or decision-making processes for the development or prioritization of bike infrastructure projects?**

**F8b. For any variable selected above in F8, please describe how the variable(s) have informed decision-making or prioritization around bicycle investments and project implementation. Please include any relevant links, if applicable, that could help us to better understand your methodology, and inspire other BFC applicants to learn from your community's process.**

**F9. Has your community adopted any of the following types of equity-related action plans?**

**F10. Has the community developed any anti-displacement programs or strategies that relate to transportation investments?**

The following fields (F11 & F12) are optional but can earn additional points toward a community's Equity & Accessibility score. Communities are encouraged to use these spaces to describe any efforts that have not already been covered on the application, and/or to provide additional details, links, or information about a corresponding checkbox elsewhere on the application.

**F11. Are there any other innovative strategies, programs, facilities, or initiatives in place to specifically support cyclists with any vision, hearing, mobility, and/or cognitive needs in your community, that have not already been covered on your BFC application?**

**F12. Are there any other innovative strategies programs, facilities or initiatives in place to make cycling more equitable and inclusive for any historically underrepresented or marginalized groups or individuals in your community, including women, people of color, non-English speakers, people with disabilities, non-drivers, young children, and/or seniors?**

**F13. If this is a renewing application, please summarize the most significant improvements to your community's bicycle-related Equity and Accessibility efforts or investments since your last BFC application.**

**Page: Final Overview**

**G1. What are the top three reasons your community has made bicycling a priority?**

Improved quality of life, Community connectivity, Cooperation with adjacent communities

**G2. Briefly describe the most positive outcome of your community's support for bicycling.**

**G3. How is the local government specifically educating the community about how the benefits of biking align with the broader goals of the community?**

**G4. What are your community's greatest achievements in the last 12 months in the work to become more bicycle-friendly?**

**G5. What could be done differently in order to make bicycling safer, more enjoyable and/or more convenient in your community?**

**G6. What are the greatest challenges or barriers your community faces in taking action toward the efforts described in your response to G5?**

**G7. What specific bicycle-related improvements are planned in the next 12 months that directly affect your community?**

**G8. Optional: What other communities do you look to as peers or comparable role models for your community?**

Madison, WI, and Eau Claire, WI, and Stevens Point, WI

**G9. We often get requests for example BFC applications from aspiring communities. Are you willing to share your application?**

Yes

**G10. How did you hear about the Bicycle Friendly Community program?**

Returning Applicant

**G11. Are you interested in learning more about potentially having the League come to your community to host a Bicycle Friendly Community Workshop in the coming year?**

Yes

**Page: Supplementary Materials**

Optional: If you would like to share any supplemental materials to support your application, please upload your files here.

The League wants to showcase the places, organizations, and individuals working to build a Bicycle Friendly America for everyone. By sharing photos of your bicycling programs, community outreach efforts, or people biking in your community, you'll help us highlight your community's commitment to making bicycling better.

By submitting photos here, you are granting the League of American Bicyclists the right to use your images to promote bicycling.

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**Optional:**

**Page: Funding Resources**

*This page is designed to help your community identify potential funding sources to help pay for bicycle infrastructure and programming needs in your community. The League is also interested in better understanding how familiar communities currently are with their funding opportunities, so that we can develop the resources and guidance needed to fill those knowledge gaps.*

*This page will be updated more frequently than the rest of the BFC application, as funding opportunities or grant periods open/close. We encourage you to use the hyperlinks on this preview document to learn more ([https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Vy1\\_Bf7Gb6L4E9Q72swAUfPYjJvdV0rHxyDz\\_mYexi8/edit?tab=t.sadiqut6jvqg](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Vy1_Bf7Gb6L4E9Q72swAUfPYjJvdV0rHxyDz_mYexi8/edit?tab=t.sadiqut6jvqg)), and to use the final question below to describe any challenges, questions, or barriers that your community faces when it comes to funding for bicycling. Please contact [bfa@bikeleague.org](mailto:bfa@bikeleague.org) (<mailto:bfa@bikeleague.org>) with any questions.*

*Last updated 7/28/25.*

**H1. Is your community part of a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) that serves an area with a population over 200,000?**

**H2. Under the Transportation Alternatives Program, States must prioritize projects that benefit high need communities. Is your community defined as a high need community by your state?**

**H3. States now have funding to provide technical assistance to Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) applicants. The technical assistance can cover everything from scoping a project, to the application process, to the permitting process.**

**H3a. Has your state Department of Transportation offered technical assistance through the Transportation Alternatives Program?**

**H3b. Has your community requested technical assistance from your state DOT to help with TAP projects?**

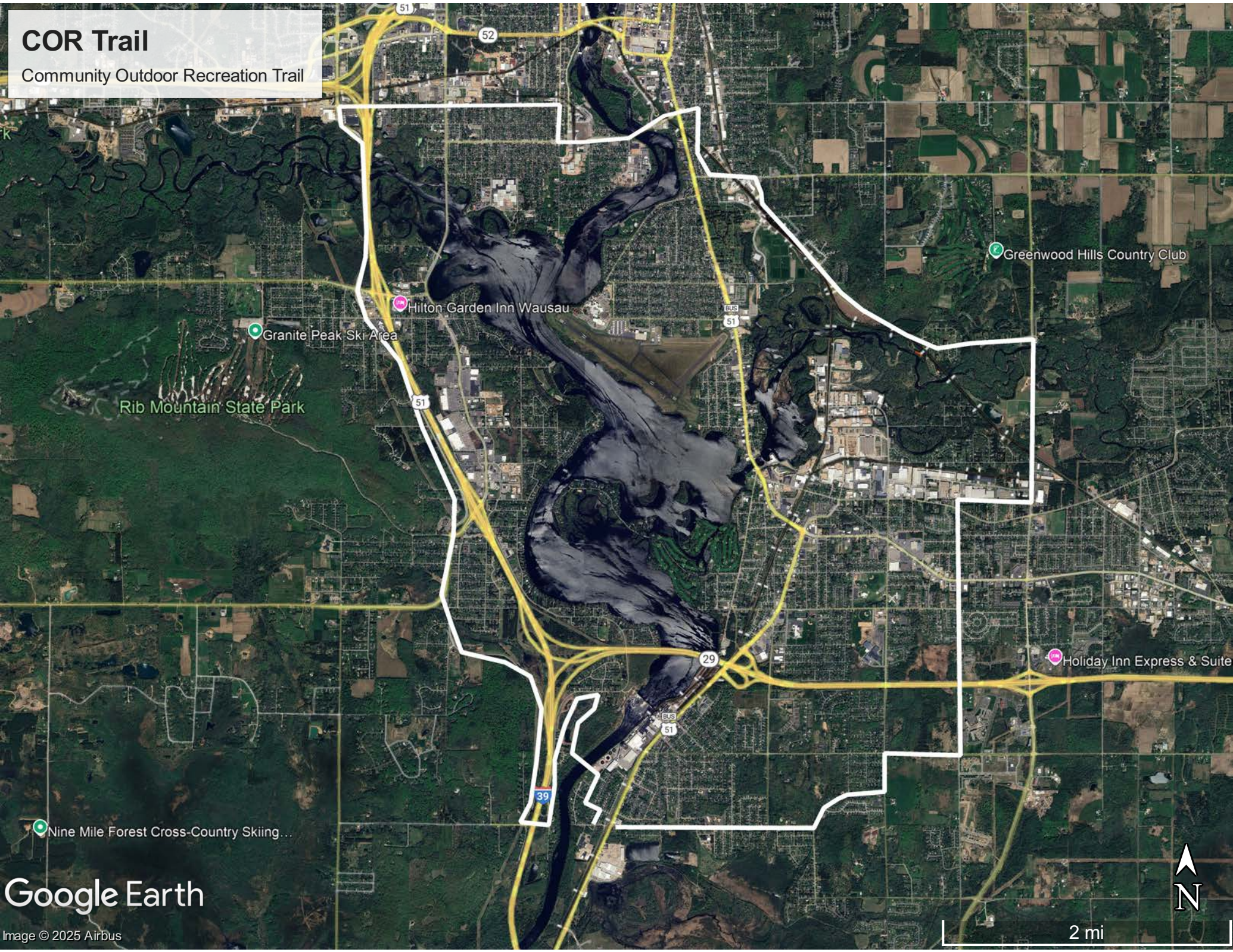
**H3c. Has your community received technical assistance from your state DOT to help with TAP projects?**

**H4. What sources of funding do you use to pay for bicycle infrastructure and programming in your community?**

**H5. If there is anything else you would like to share with the BFC review team about your community's budget or other funding made available for bike infrastructure development, please describe here.**

# COR Trail

Community Outdoor Recreation Trail

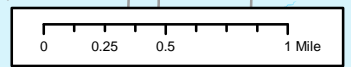
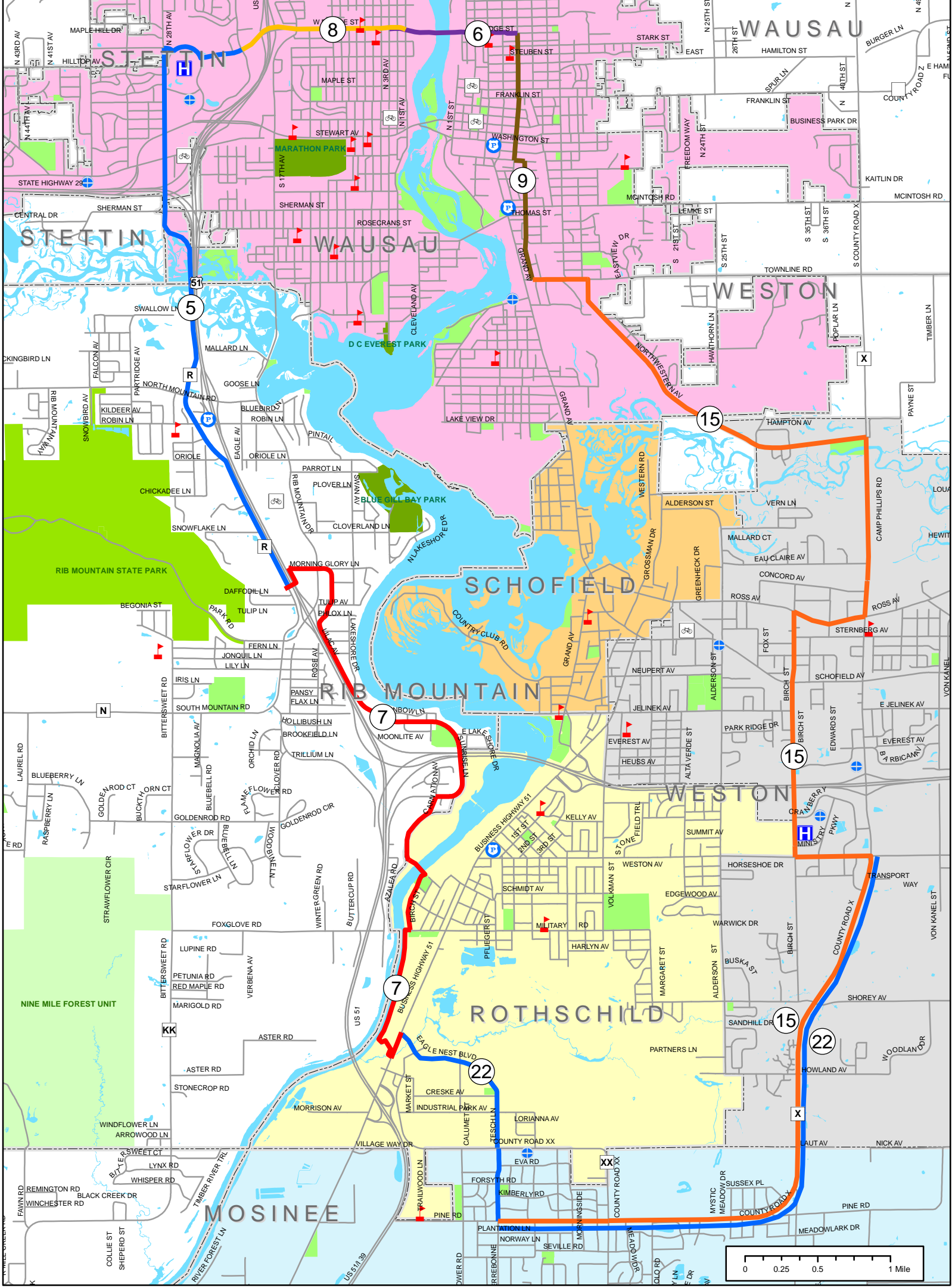


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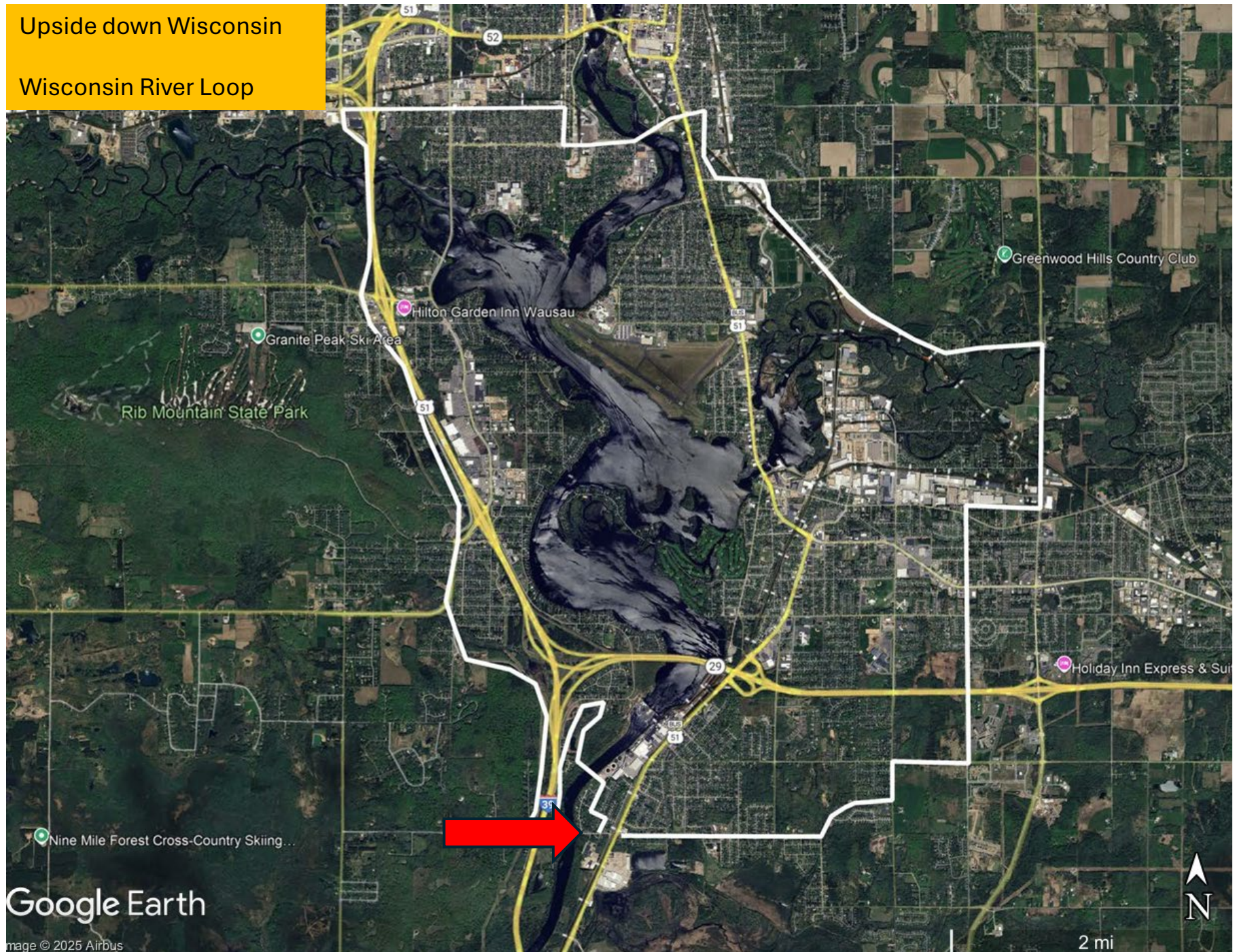






Upside down Wisconsin

Wisconsin River Loop



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# Easier to Navigate

## Bike Friendly Community

Connects Metro Centers, Hospitality, Mountain Bike Parks, & Business Parks



### Go from this

Route #MB to Route  
#15 to Route # 14/ #15  
to Route #9 to Route  
#12 to Route #7 to  
Route #5 to Route  
Trillium Ln to Route #  
No Name to Route #7  
to Starting Point



### What's coming within the next one to three years – The biking epicenter of the Midwest

- 160,000 to 200,000 gravel bike riders – Wisconsin Gravel – Granite Belt
- 15,000 to 40,000 mountain bike riders – The Kocourek Trailhead @ Rib Mountain

# **Consistent Signage**

**one sign that connects every community**



Would be mounted on existing bike signpost or new post

## Existing Routes – Consistent Branding on Existing Bike Routes



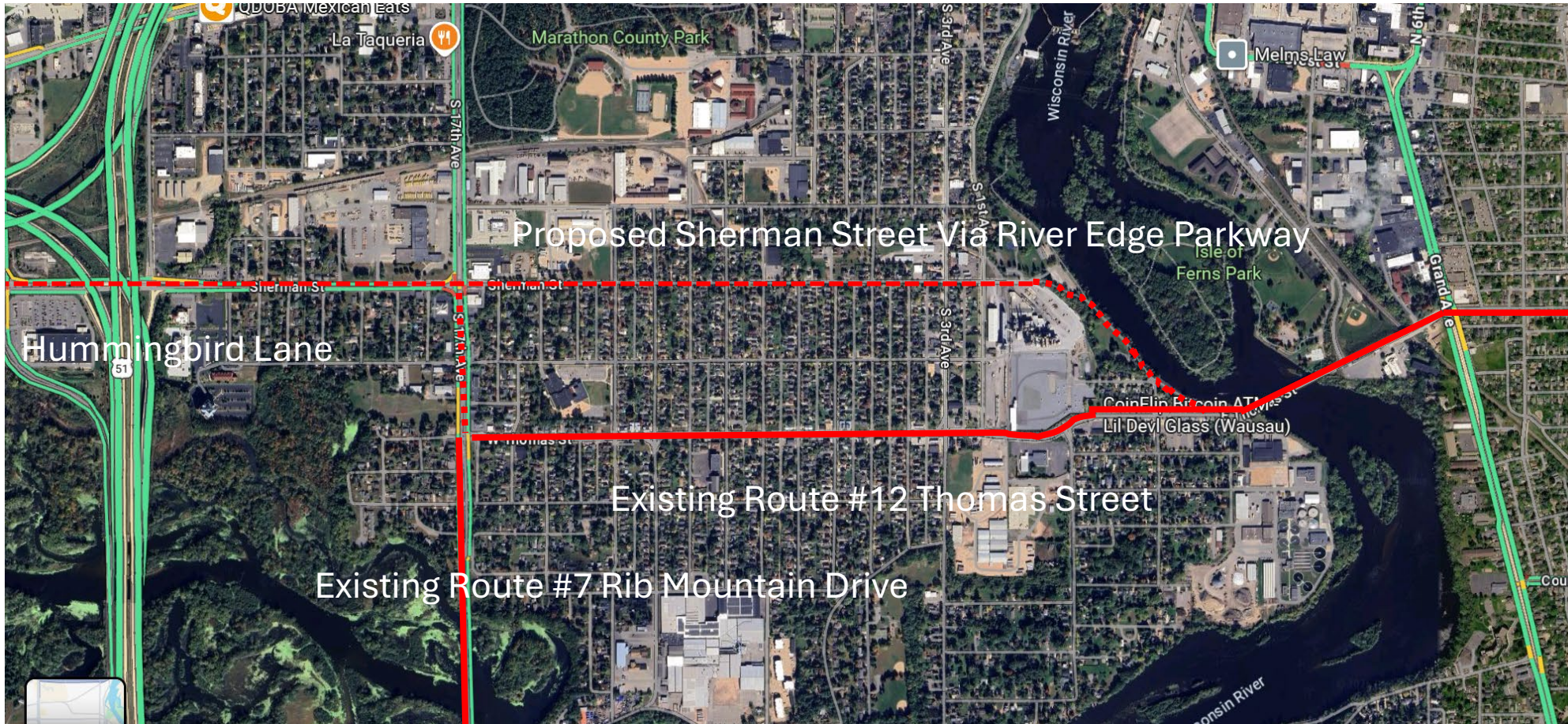
## Existing Routes – Consistent Branding on Existing Sign Types



# **Reroutes Wausau**

## **Safety Increase for Bikers**

# Suggested Reroute – Thomas Street moved to Sherman Street via River Edge Parkway



Route #12 moved off Thomas Street to Sherman Street to existing route #7 or Hummingbird Lane that is off road

WisDOT Traffic Count – Thomas Street has 14,700 to 14,900 Cars/Day

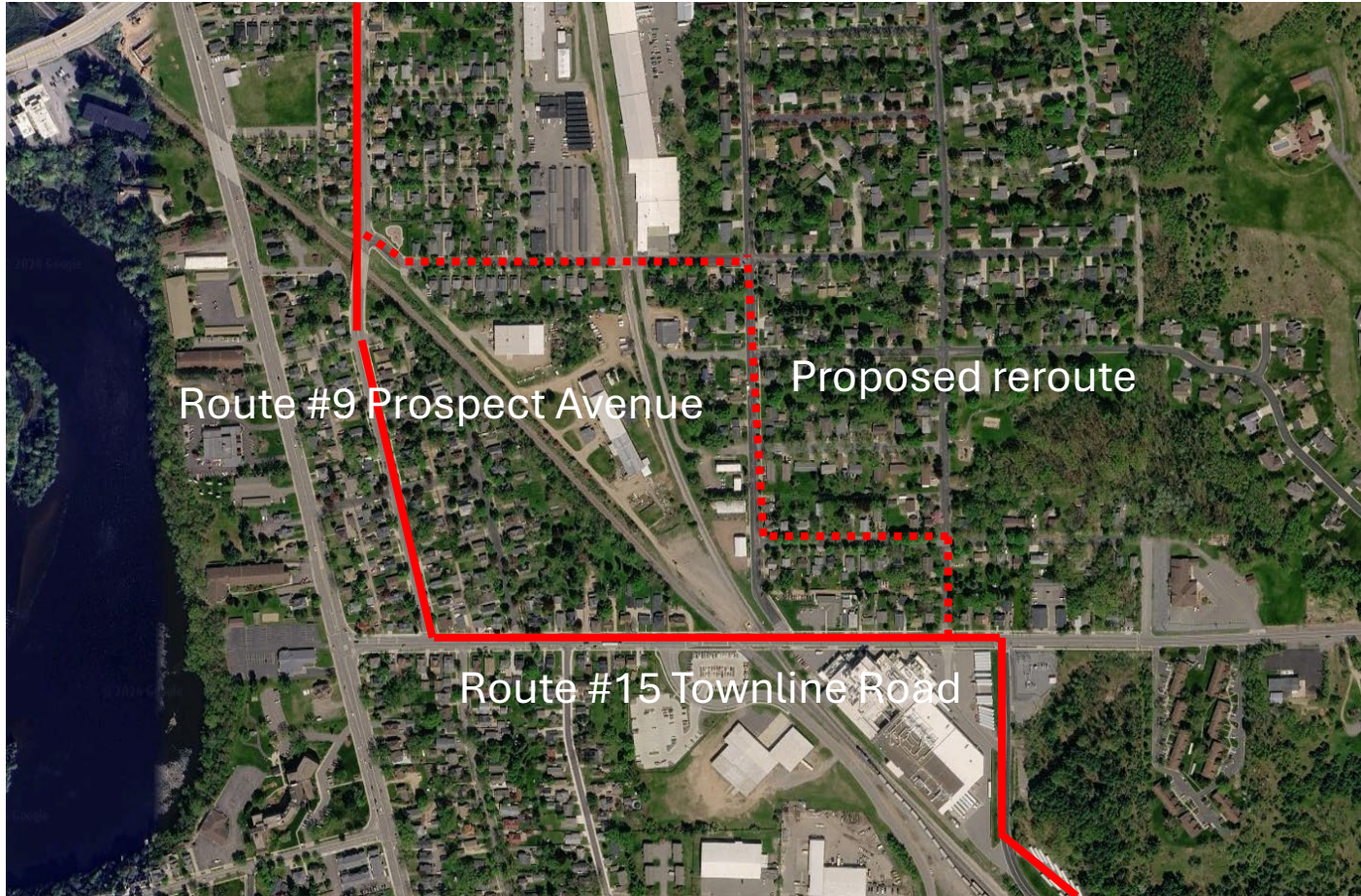
WisDOT Traffic Count - Sherman Street has 1,300 to 3,200 Cars/Day

WisDOT Traffic Count – Rib Mountain Drive has 14,600 Cars/Day versus Hummingbird Lane which has a zero-car count in that it is off road

# River Edge Parkway



## Suggested Reroute - Move Northwest Avenue to Townline to S12th to Monroe to S10th to Single Ave



Route #15 moved off Townline Road to S12th to Monroe to S10th to Single Ave

WisDOT Traffic Count – Townline Road 5,300 to 6,200 Cars/Day over 6 blocks and plant entrance to 1 block with minimum Cars/Day and residential roads

Residential Speed limit of 25MPH versus semi-urban of 35 to 55MPH

# Next Steps

- Identity existing signage to add WRL in each community
- Identity new locations for signage to add WRL in each community
- Contact Public Works and boards in each community that the route goes through for permission
- Add to MPO map