

Prince William County
TRAILS AND BLUEWAYS COUNCIL
Advisors to the Board of County Supervisors

PHNST Sub-Committee

Meeting Notes

September 20, 2023; 1:00 PM

Approved by T&BC on September 26, 2023

1. The PHNST sub-committee convened at the DPRT offices on September 20. Per announcement on the TBC web page, there was no virtual option for this meeting.
2. Attendees
 - a. Sub-committee members present: David Brickley, Liz Cronauer, Joe Marshall, Neil Nelson, Eileen Sheridan, Jason Williams, Lynda Silverstrand. Members absent: None
 - b. County staff: Janet Bartnik, Patti Pakkala, Yolanda Hipski, David Kroeger
3. Janet Bartnik provided this summary after the meeting:

Gap 19/20 –

Eileen emailed a follow up to Heidi Mitter.

Next week, a VDOT public meeting is scheduled related to the ramp along I-95 at the crossing of 123. Realigning the SB 95 ramp to 123 will be a topic of discussion. Meeting is September 28 at 7pm and is virtual. VDOT is accepting public comments during the meeting and/or by October 10 via public comment form.

Janet to connect with Heidi Mitter to see if there is an accommodation for how we get the trail to be able to go under the bridge option between the sound barriers. Committee members discussed other advocates to activate.

Patti reported that DPR just received FLAP grant match funding allocation Sept. 12. This segment is part of that analysis.

Segment from 95 to US 1 – Annapolis Way is under construction.

Destination Place is also being planned; group unsure of plans since ownership info has changed. David Brickley and Lynda Silverstrand are scheduled to meet with Supervisor Franklin. Can discuss desire to remain near the water on the parcel at end of Destination Place.

Janet to complete resolution – Eileen’s whereas’s and then therefore to connect to and follow water front in this gap area; using I-95

Gap 22 –

As far as we know, this reroute/connector within PW Forest Park is funded and will be completed by the National Park Service.

Gap 23/24/25 –

Patti suggests moving this segment to the Powell's Creek greenway category rather than keeping it as an alternate route for the PHNST. Staff is working with public works while the stream work is being done. Discussion ensued.

Gap 26 –

Kick off meeting will not occur until after the notice to proceed is issued by procurement.

Gap 27 –

This will be part of the consultant's work on the Powell's Creek Crossing design. Can we approach the HOA to agree collaborate on use of the private property social trail? Decided to hold that question for the consultant to begin work on the Crossing.

Gap 28 –

Developer has said he is abiding by what we wanted to happen with the trail in the Potomac Shores development. The question will be where the trail goes from the end of the developer's responsibility to the next segment.

Gap 29/30 –

Members desired to understand where the Town of Dumfries comp plan study was and when there might be an opportunity for public input. The Town's RFP for comp plan consultant services was issued in summer with an intent to award a contract October 1. Key will also be where the trail crosses Possum Point Road.

Patti recommended that the TBC consider adding a connection to Quantico to the PHNST plan. Once the trail reaches Quantico, then there are sidewalks through town and a trail along Chopawamsic Creek. That trail gets the PHNST to Stafford County. There is a need for a crossing of Quantico Creek between Possum Point and Quantico.

An approach to the Town and Base should include the PHNST Supervisor and County staff. The Chopawamsic trail is owned and operated by a private organization. This may be a challenge until the post commander changes.

Gap 31 –

The Washington-Rochambeau Trail is anticipated to cost \$5M and will include an archeological study.

Joplin Road connection is the third gap to be studied in the FLAP grant analysis.

Jason Williams shared a video invitation from America250. He suggested capitalizing on any opportunities to get publicity and support for PHNST trails projects. Discussion ensued regarding the target dates for completion of planning and completion of construction per the 2026 and 2031 dates.

Next meeting date scheduled for October 18.