



TOWN OF CONCORD

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MEMORANDUM

To: Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Advisory Committee
From: Marcia Rasmussen, Director DPLM
Re: **Update of Phases 2A, 2B, 2C, the last ½ mile of 2C, and 2D, plus**
Date: July 7, 2022

- 1. Phase 2A Update:** This phase of the trail has been completed and is open for all to enjoy!
- 2. Phase 2B Update:** Town staff and MDOT staff will conduct a site walk of the trail with the Contractor this Thursday, July 7th, to review final tree trimming needed before the final asphalt course is installed later in July or August.
- 3. Phase 2C Updates:** The Junction Park Conceptual Redesign Recommendations was approved at the June 14th meeting and posted to the BFRTAC webpage. The BFRTAC co-chairs (and others as available) will be attending the July 11th Select Board meeting to present its' report.
- 4. The last ½ mile of Phase 2C:** GPI sent the latest plan set for the last ½ mile of the BFRT which are dated 6/6/22. These will be posted to the BFRTAC web page this week.
The final set of plans (PS&E) have been submitted to MassDOT by GPI after receiving no comments on the Concord portion. GPI Project Manager Matt Kearney notes that the bid package should be prepared very soon with project advertising expected this summer, depending on how quickly everything can be finalized by Fuss & O'Neill. GPI will be responsible to address any questions that come up during construction.
- 5. Phase 2D Sudbury –** Sudbury Planner Beth Suedmeyer advised that the advertising date for BFRT 2D is now August 6th. She is preparing for the Select Board to make final ROW approvals at their meeting next week (the week of July 11th).
The Town of Sudbury received notification on June 28th that the applications for the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Extension: Development and Design to CSX Corridor was awarded a 2022 MassTrails Grant in the amount of \$240,000. Sudbury's project was one of 81 projects to receive funding (out of 167 project applications received).
- 6. Community Connections Grant follow up:** The work to install the bike shelters and racks was completed by Concord Public Works crews as promised. The missing roof panel is being shipped and will be installed as soon as it's received.
- 7. Concord Prison Cemetery:** No additional information was available for this month's update.

8. MOTT wayfinding grant awarded to the Town of Acton: The Town of Acton successfully solicited quotes for fabrication and installation of wayfinding signage along the BFRT in Acton and Concord. A purchase order to Sunshine Sign Company in the amount of \$49,341.90 was completed and submitted for reimbursement to MOTT by the June 30th deadline, thanks to Acton Planning Director and Zoning Enforcement Officer Kristen Guichard. We expect to schedule a meeting in the next couple of weeks to review maps with the wayfinding consultant and sign spelling and locations with the sign company.