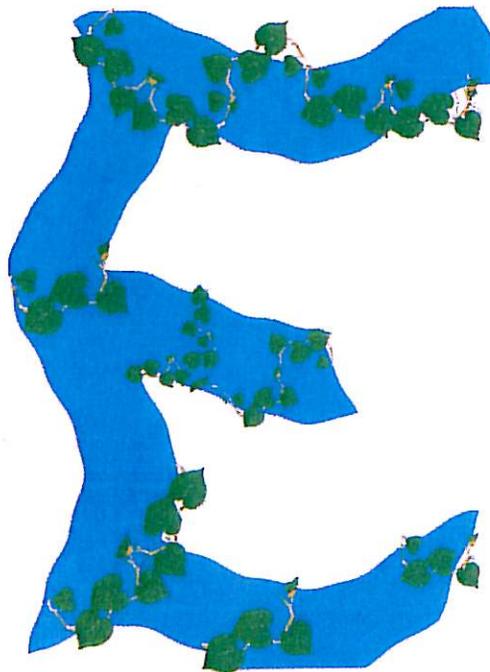


The East Branch DuPage River Greenway Trail

Executive Summary



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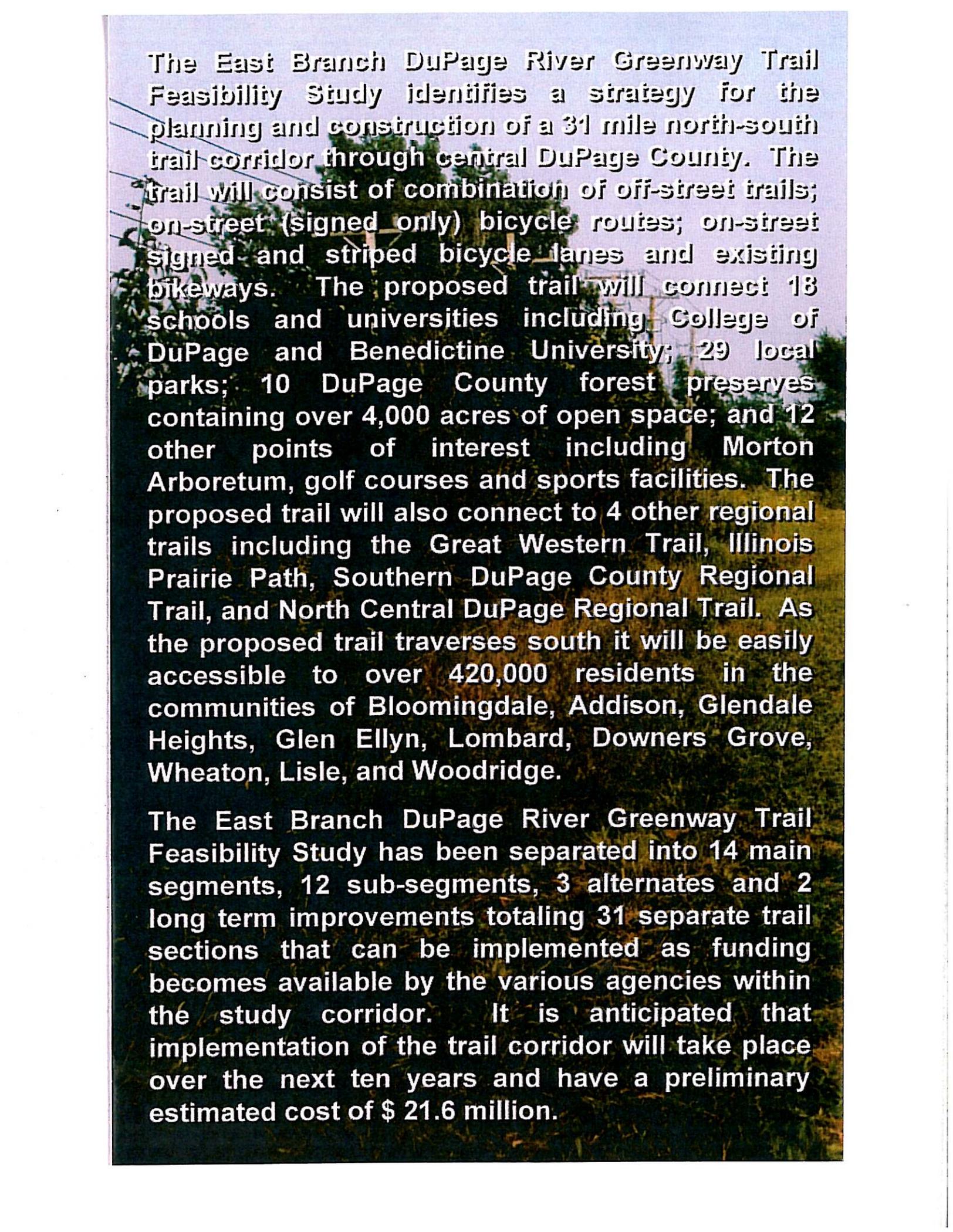
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The East Branch DuPage River Greenway Trail Feasibility Study identifies a strategy for the planning and construction of a 31 mile north-south trail corridor through central DuPage County. The trail will consist of combination of off-street trails; on-street (signed only) bicycle routes; on-street signed and striped bicycle lanes and existing bikeways. The proposed trail will connect 18 schools and universities including College of DuPage and Benedictine University; 29 local parks; 10 DuPage County forest preserves containing over 4,000 acres of open space; and 12 other points of interest including Morton Arboretum, golf courses and sports facilities. The proposed trail will also connect to 4 other regional trails including the Great Western Trail, Illinois Prairie Path, Southern DuPage County Regional Trail, and North Central DuPage Regional Trail. As the proposed trail traverses south it will be easily accessible to over 420,000 residents in the communities of Bloomingdale, Addison, Glendale Heights, Glen Ellyn, Lombard, Downers Grove, Wheaton, Lisle, and Woodridge.

The East Branch DuPage River Greenway Trail Feasibility Study has been separated into 14 main segments, 12 sub-segments, 3 alternates and 2 long term improvements totaling 31 separate trail sections that can be implemented as funding becomes available by the various agencies within the study corridor. It is anticipated that implementation of the trail corridor will take place over the next ten years and have a preliminary estimated cost of \$ 21.6 million.

| # | Trail Segment | Route Location | Preliminary Estimated Cost |
|-----|--|---|----------------------------|
| 1 | Bloomingtondale | Lake Street (US Route 20) to Army Trail Road (CH 11) | \$750,000 |
| 2A | Army Trail Path | Army Trail Road (CH 11) to the northern boundary of the East Branch Forest Preserve | \$51,000 |
| 2B | East Branch North Trail | Northern boundary of the East Branch Forest Preserve to the East Branch Forest Preserve parking lot | \$2,723,000 |
| 2C | Swift Road North Trail | East Branch Forest Preserve parking lot to North Ave (IL Route 64) | \$625,000 |
| 3 | Swift Prairie Connector | Crackside Drive to Swift Prairie Forest Preserve | \$361,000 |
| 4A | Swift Road South Trail | North Avenue (IL Route 64) to Churchill Woods Forest Preserve | \$451,000 |
| 4B | Churchill Woods Trail | Churchill Woods Forest Preserve to Crescent Boulevard | \$1,873,000 |
| 4C | Union Pacific RR Trail | Crescent Boulevard to Illinois Prairie Path | \$1,684,000 |
| 5A | (Alternate #1) Spring Avenue Route | Illinois Prairie Path to Spring Avenue Recreational Center | \$234,000 |
| 5B | (Alternate #1) Glen Oak Trail | Illinois Route 53 to Baker Hill Drive at Roosevelt Road (IL Route 38) | \$693,000 |
| 5A | (Alternate #2) Wetlands Trail | Illinois Prairie Path to Illinois Route 53 | TBD |
| 5B | (Alternate #2) Baker Hill Route | Illinois Route 53 to Baker Hill Drive at Roosevelt Road (IL Route 38) | \$324,000 |
| 5B | Long Term Trail Improvement | Spring Avenue Recreational Center to Glen Oak Forest Preserve | \$900,000 |
| 6A | Maryknoll Route | Baker Hill Drive at Roosevelt Road (IL Route 38) to ComEd right-of-way | \$39,000 |
| 6A | Long Term Trail Improvement | Roosevelt Road Bridge | \$3,882,000 |
| 6B | ComEd Trail | ComEd right-of-way to Butterfield Road (IL Route 56) | \$1,979,000 |
| 7 | College of DuPage Connector | ComEd right-of-way to College of DuPage | \$725,000 |
| 8 | (Alternate #1) Butterfield Road Trail | Western Acres Golf Course to Leask Lane | \$2,811,000 |
| 8 | (Alternate #2) Morton Arboretum Trail | Western Acres Golf Course to Leask Lane | \$2,094,000 |
| 9 | Leask Lane | Butterfield Road (IL Route 56) to Warrenville Road (CH 3) | \$1,325,000 |
| 10 | Lucent Connector | Leask Lane to Naperville Road (CH 23) | \$230,000 |
| 11 | North Lisle Route | Leask Lane to Burlington Avenue | \$682,000 |
| 12 | Benedictine Connector | Burlington Avenue to various locations | \$2,938,000 |
| 13 | South Lisle Route | Maple Avenue (CH 17) to Summerhill Drive | \$930,000 |
| 14A | Summerhill Trail | Summerhill Drive to Seven Bridges Golf Course | \$622,000 |
| 14B | Seven Bridges Trail | Seven Bridge Golf Course to Will County Border | \$131,000 |

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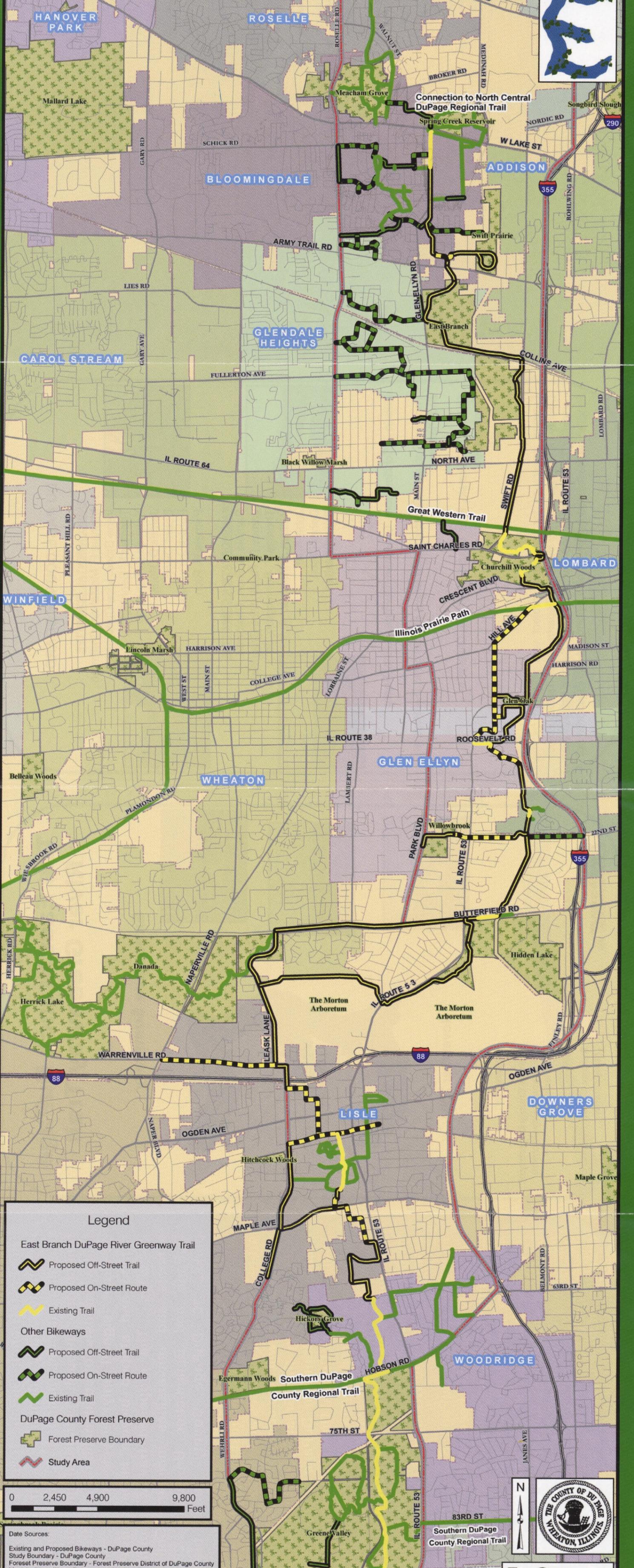
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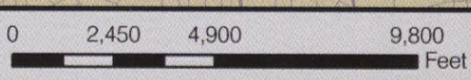
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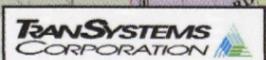


Legend

- East Branch DuPage River Greenway Trail
 - Proposed Off-Street Trail
 - Proposed On-Street Route
 - Existing Trail
- Other Bikeways
 - Proposed Off-Street Trail
 - Proposed On-Street Route
 - Existing Trail
- DuPage County Forest Preserve
 - Forest Preserve Boundary
 - Study Area



Date Sources:
 Existing and Proposed Bikeways - DuPage County
 Study Boundary - DuPage County
 Forest Preserve Boundary - Forest Preserve District of DuPage County
 Municipalities - Illinois Department of Natural Resources
 Roadways - Illinois Department of Natural Resources



Continuation into Will County