



Border-to-Border Trail: Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Public Meeting Comments Summary

A public meeting was held on February 26, 2019 at 6:30pm at Forsythe Middle School to seek initial public feedback to the City of Ann Arbor and Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission (WCPARC) regarding the Border-to-Border Trail (B2B) Barton-Bandemer Connection Project. 60 members of the public signed in at the meeting, which consisted of a brief presentation by staff, followed by open discussion questions, then open house format with more detailed maps and staff/consultants at each.

In total, 60 written comments have been received for this project as of March 12, 2019 – all of which are included as part of this packet. 19 written comments were collected by the end of the initial meeting and staff received 13 emails and 28 on-line form submissions during the two weeks afterwards. The meeting's power point and maps were posted on the same site as the comment sheets to provide as much information as possible to the public who were unable to attend the meeting. Per the request of some members of the public, the comment period has been re-opened and left open-ended.

Common themes expressed *(not representative of quantity of expression):*

- The tunnel is essential for the future success of the B2B and bike and pedestrian traffic to move in to and out of the City in the North Main/Huron River Drive area.
- Support for the tunnel portion of the project because of a clear desire for the pedestrian connection and a desire by the rail to prevent crossing the tracks
- Concern that the project will take too long to implement and a desire to implement the project quickly
- Concern for how the trail and tunnel will change demand for the current parking lot near Barton Dam and the use of any of the nature trails in Bird Hills and surrounding nature areas.
- Request of the team to make the tunnel feel safe through use of sight lines, lightning, and other measures.
- Support for the tunnel because it also connects the hiking and biking trails of the adjacent nature areas to parking areas and the B2B in Bandemer Park
- Support for the overall project to provide a safe bike route along N. Main at the M-14 interchange.
- Concern for overall project costs and how to pay for it.
- Overall project would be a benefit to the community
- Why can't we build a gated crossing instead of a tunnel, it would be much cheaper?
- Support or no concern for paving the main (existing woodchip) trail through Barton Nature Area as long as it is part of a regional system.
- Build the tunnel but don't touch the nature area because it is nice as-is.
- Support of paving in the nature area if disturbance and path width is kept to a minimum to keep as much existing vegetation and feel.
- Concern for stormwater runoff from a paved trail in the nature area

- Is it possible to add a limestone or dirt path next to the paved path for runners?
- Consider alternate materials to asphalt for the trail in the nature area such as porous paving or limestone.
- Support of improving ADA connections and improving safety
- Current woodchip trail is often muddy and difficult to use, paving would solve this
- Oppose paving the wood chip trail in the nature area.
- Have all of the alternatives to paving the trail been explored?
- Concern for increased incursion into natural areas

Please see the separate comment sheets for complete information.



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Name: Ashley Fox

Address: 905 Pleasant Dr.

City/Twp./Village: Ypsilanti State: MI Zip: 48197

Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail: [REDACTED]

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Yes No

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Newspaper Social Media Email Other Friends of B2B

Please use the space on the other side of this comment sheet to provide your comments, thoughts and/or ideas on the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project. **Please submit your comments to a member of the Project Team or mail your comments to the address below by March 12, 2019:**

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What are your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project?

My main concern is leading up to the tunnel. Coming along Fuller Rd. to where it ~~comes~~ comes to ~~Maiden Ln.~~ ~~Depot St.~~, I have lost the trail completely leading me along ~~Depot St.~~ Depot St. ~~to~~ Main to a very dangerous crossing to get to Huron River Dr. We need this ~~to~~ ^{the trail to} clearly show to the new safer crossing you propose.

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

I think this is an essential project for the future success of the trail. This will make the whole trail much safer and a clear thoroughway for bike & pedestrian traffic into and out of the city. I am thrilled this is moving forward along with the adjoining trail from AZ to Dexter.

Other comments:

Sooner the better! This project can save lives by alleviating danger, and increase livability for the county and our visitors.

Please pave in Barton Nature Area.



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Name: Bruce Gaffan

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City/Twp./Village: A2 State: MI Zip: 48104

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E-mail: [REDACTED]

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I'LL COMMENT ONLINE @ VCPAR

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

Other comments:



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Name: Pam Labadie

Address: 1840 Timber Trail

City/Twp./Village: Ann Arbor State: MI Zip: 48103

Phone: 

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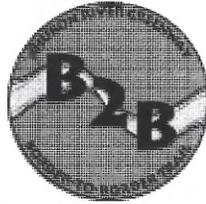
Super supportive of this project as an extremely important connector for the 2B long term. Very excited to see it happen!

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

I like other than the plan for the tunnel and the paved path through Barton Nature area - am confident in the project team's intent + ability for minimal impact

Other comments:

I am concerned or wonder about the team's thoughts on ^①increased use - parking at the foot of Bird Rd for those seeking access to the trail and ^②bikers who seek access to HRD at the curve - safety measures or a staging area that keeps them out of ^{HRD} north-west bound vehicle's way - currently people pop out of the woods after crossing the RR tracks



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Name: Larry Baird

Address: 2277 W. Huron River Dr

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Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

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Yes No

Comments: Very informative, will comment on project via email

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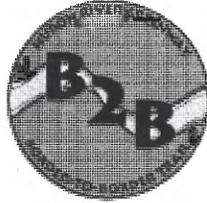
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Name: Matt Catanzarite

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Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail: [REDACTED]

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Yes No

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Newspaper Social Media Email Other email list for WBWC

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the potential that something would prevent its completion.

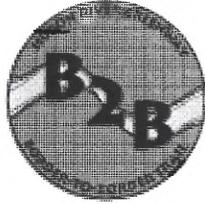
ROAD feels like a long ways away!

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

I like the tunnel most, since it is a major
hassle navigating the area near the tracks as it is now.

Other comments:

Thanks for hosting the discussion



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Name: Adam Goodman

Address: 400 Virginia Ave

City/Twp./Village: Ann Arbor State: MI Zip: 48103

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E-mail: [REDACTED]

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It can't come soon enough! I believe this link should be the city and county's highest priority for major non-motorized projects.

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

I have no objection to the proposed trail alignment through Barton Nature Area. I think the benefits of establishing a regional non-motorized link make this a clear winner.

Other comments:



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Name: Andy Lurkhardt

Address: 633 Barber Ave.

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Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail: [REDACTED]

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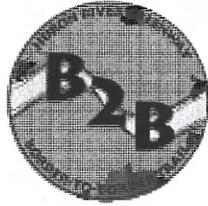
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I wish it was a bit sooner.
I wish they would remove the jersey barriers in front of the "common law" path in the meantime.

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

I like both the tunnel idea with attention to sightlines, and the path through the Barton Nature Area. It would connect a lot the natural AZ areas legally.

Other comments:



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Name: DAVID SHINABARGER

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Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail: [REDACTED]

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- EXISTING BARRIERS AT THE CROSSING
- WOULD LOVE TO SEE DONE SOONER!
- ~~• WOULD LOVE TO SEE DONE SOONER!~~

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

- TUNNEL WILL BE AWESOME! MORE TUNNELS LIKE BOULDER, COLORADO HAS!
- SUPPORT PAVING BUT TRYING TO KEEP THE PATH NARROW W/ TREES + FOILAGE SIMILAR TO PATH AT BANDEMER

Other comments:

- WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO HAVE A CRUSHED LIMESTONE OR DIRT RUNNING PATH NEXT TO PAVED PATH SIMILAR TO LAKESHORE PATH IN CHICAGO?
- ~~A~~ HUGE THANK YOU TO PETE S. FOR KNOWING THE B2B LIKE THE BACK OF HIS HAND AND OBVIOUS PASSION FOR THE PROJECT



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Name: Tom Wieder

Address: 2445 Newport Rd

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E-mail: [REDACTED]

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Only that it won't get built as soon
as I'd like (which is 5 years ago).

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

Good location, well-conceived

Other comments:



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Yes No

Comments: Info sent out about it late, on the same day. More publicity needed

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Paving in natural areas, & level of construction required.

Minimize paving as much as possible.

I support ADA requirements, though.

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

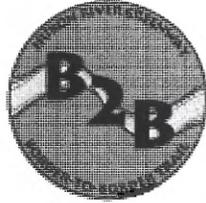
Like: Connections!

Worried - increased incursion on natural areas.

Need ways to - event trans, ling, & spread of
seeds of invasive plants.

Other comments:

Support, overall. Keep the discussions
going. Safety over all.



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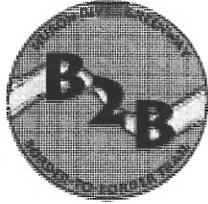
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About time? I haven't used Hudson River Drive
to bike on since m. - T put up the Jersey
barriers on the informal crossing from Bandemer.
Please work quickly so I don't have to wait until
I am 80 years old to use this tunnel/underpass
Thanks!

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Phone: _____

E-mail: [REDACTED]

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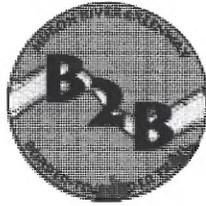
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NOT YET.

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

Like the idea of clear right lines and it being paved.

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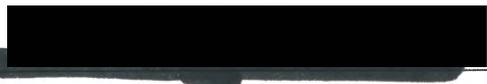
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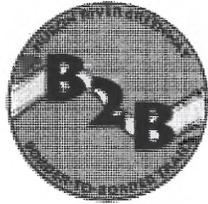
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None - It cannot get built soon enough

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Nothing - All good

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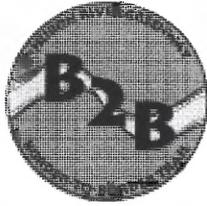
What are your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project?

Not seeing it done soon enough

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

Strongly endorse this project, both the "under the rails crossing" (tunnel) as well as the paved trail through Bandemore. I would suggest to consider a material for the trail that is better than the stark asphalt. That is color wise as well as porous.

Other comments:



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Name: TOM PILUTTI

Address: 423 EBYERWHITE BLVD

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Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

1. Were you satisfied with the time and location of this evening's public information meeting?

Yes No

Comments: GO! GO! GO! move on back

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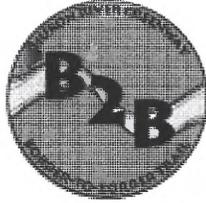
NONE OTHER THAN THE WAIT

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

TUNNEL IN THAT BEND OF ROAD IS GREAT FOR
1/2 MI. AND IT ALSO CONVERTS HILLTOP HIKING +
BIKING TRAILS TO BANDEMER.

Other comments:

I HIKE IN BARTON NATURE AREA WITH ~~MY~~ DOG, AND
WON'T MIND AT ALL TO HAVE A P - TRAIL
RUN THROUGH. I HIKE TO THE RIVER, AND
THAT'S PLENTY OF TRAIL.



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Name: Clark Charnetski

Address: 2646 Traver Blvd

City/Twp./Village: Ann Arbor State: MI Zip: 48105

Phone: [REDACTED]

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Yes No

Comments: _____

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What are your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project?

That it will not get done soon enough.

I have been waiting 40 years for this project

I live in NE Ann Arbor and like to bike Haven River Dr.

This would provide a good connection.

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

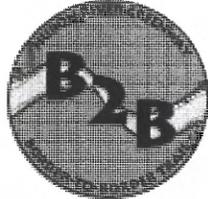
I like the entire proposal, both the tunnel and

passing the trail through Barton Park.

Other comments:

Should also be a tunnel connecting Gattop Park
Trail with the Arb.

This and the Allen Creek tunnel will provide
an alternative to biking or walking on N. Main St



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Name: Carrie Motawi

Address: 1840 Timber Trail

City/Twp./Village: A2 State: MI Zip: 48103

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

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Yes No

Comments: _____

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Newspaper Social Media Email Other My Wife

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What are your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project?

Love the project!

Concerned about Parking Access. Will you expand parking at Barton Dam.

Are There concerns of More Bike traffic of HR Drive?

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

Other comments:



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Name: Suzette Wanninkhof

Address: 128 Feich st Apt 2

City/Twp./Village: Ann Arbor State: MI Zip: 48103

Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail: [REDACTED]

1. Were you satisfied with the time and location of this evening's public information meeting?

Yes No

Comments: downtown / city Hall far better

2. How did you find out about this public information meeting?

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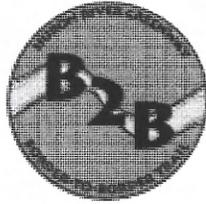
What are your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project?

Delays - let's make this happen as soon
as possible.

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

I love the safety impacts! I ride my
bike from HRD to downtown weekly, and
turning onto Main Street is extremely
dangerous. The high speeds and the blind
turn off M-14 make for serious safety issues.

Other comments:



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Name:  _____

Address: Vincent Caruso
556 Glendale Cir.
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

City/Twp./Village: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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E-mail:  _____

1. Were you satisfied with the time and location of this evening's public information meeting?

Yes No

Comments: thanks for starting after 6 pm

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that it be done,

look at using Porous Pavement for

Trails, lots of benefits and cost less. AZ

Used it on roads and paths

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

- Think it is a great idea

- We need to get people out and walking and
biking.

- Seeing the river will get people interested
in water issues and the river.

- Great amenity, we need to have better access
which this will be.

Other comments:

- This project will pay for itself in a
few years as is the case w/ this kind
of project.

- The ACWG, ORG is very supportive
of the B2B and this project.

- Thank for doing the meeting and work on
this. Voices; Coordinator, Member ACWG, ORG



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Name: Elizabeth Todd
Address: 304 Mark Hannah Phoenix Rd
City/Twp/Village: Ann Arbor State: MI Zip: 48103
Phone: [REDACTED]
E-mail: [REDACTED]

1. Were you satisfied with the time and location of this evening's public information meeting?

Yes No

Comments: Great info and great input.

2. How did you find out about this public information meeting?

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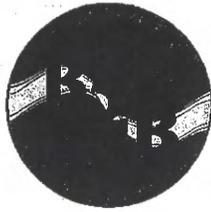
We are cyclists and we're all in favor of the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection and tunnel.

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

No concerns.

Other comments:

Some people are concerned about undesirable people hanging out in the tunnel and possible vandalism. I believe that's a separate issue though. Ann Arbor needs more affordable housing and needs to find more solutions to meet the needs of the homeless and disadvantaged population.



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Name: Craig Stephan

2752 Holyoke Lane

Address: Ann Arbor, MI 48103

City/Twp./Village: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail: [REDACTED]

1. Were you satisfied with the time and location of this evening's public information meeting?

Yes No

Comments: Very good presentations - thanks!

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Completing the tunnel portion as soon as possible!

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

The tunnel should be high/wide enough that cyclists don't have to dismount to go through.

Other comments:

I currently use (very frequently) the railroad crossing located between Bird Road and Warrington Drive. The crossing has good sight lines in both directions and I don't regard it as particularly unsafe (though the railroad has put up barriers), but a tunnel would clearly be better. Another problem with the existing crossing is that with snow in the winter the walkway from there to the dam can be impassible by bike. Hopefully the length of unplowed approaches to the tunnel can be minimized.



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Name: ERIC MACKS
Address: 2155 ASCOT RD
City/Twp/Village: _____ State: MI Zip: 48103
Phone: [REDACTED]
E-mail: [REDACTED]

1. Were you satisfied with the time and location of this evening's public information meeting?

Yes No

Comments: This was a perfect venue, close to trail location discussed, light & plenty of sitting, + lots of space for small group discussion.

2. How did you find out about this public information meeting?

Newspaper Social Media Email Other B2B

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My top concern is this decades long hazardous area for pedestrians, bicyclists and non-motorized passage will remain this way for 5-10 or more years. The current methods of traversing from Hudson Mills Rd to Main St. or vice versa and traversing between Bandemer & Barton for non-motorized travelers are fraught with challenges, and I believe the way it's been done for many decades is illegal as well. In particular crossing over entrance & exit ramps / from Rt-14 crossing over rail tracks at proposed tunnel location & at site near Barton Dam & using drained ditches that leads to Barton Dam in Barton Hills sub are all it would think, illegal and very dangerous in case of Rt-14 ramp location, and yet are the only & very frequently used traversing locations.

What do you like or dislike about any of the proposed designs?

→ This project should be elevated to the top of the list for all entities involved including the city of Ann Arbor City Council. The tunnel will effectively eliminate the only, essentially, barrier to travel from Hudson Mills Metropark to Ypsilanti while following the B2B for staying

Other comments: close to the Huron River

Completing this proposed tunnel & trail either side of it connecting Barton Dam parking lot to Bandemer parking lot will create a trail system, though not 100% complete (from lot to Barton), that will rival any in the state near a large population center. The current sections of trail from Hudson Mills thru downtown Ypsilanti are really seriously degraded by the poor & dangerous choices people face trying to traverse this place where dams, railroads, freeways, busy roads →

rail-road berms & tracks & drainage ditches,
and finally very confusing to navigate
terrain & infrastructure all converge to
decrease recreational enjoyment and
practical transportation for dozens of
miles immediately out in all directions
from this location. In short this ^{should}
have been fixed decades ago & needs
to be moved to the top of everyone's
list.

Thanks for your
work to elevate
& move forward
to this project,
Eric Mack's

TO: B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project Team

RE: Public Feedback from February 26th Public Meeting

FROM: Larry Baird, resident of Ann Arbor Township

I attended the February 26th Public Meeting and wish to provide the following feedback on this project.

- I am in full support of this project – both the underpass and trail paving through Barton Nature Area. Among the many reasons to support this project, the Governors Highway Safety Association just reported that the number of pedestrian deaths in the US reached a nearly 30 year high in 2018.
- I have previously spoken during public commentary time to both the Ann Arbor Parks Advisory Commission and Ann Arbor's City Council about the current hazardous conditions for B2B trail users at this crucial "gap" in the B2B trail system.
- This project deserves to be a top park's priority given the rising volume of trail users and the extreme pedestrian/biker safety issue that exists today. The City of Ann Arbor needs to take these safety issues very seriously, as well as the potential legal liabilities that could exist for failing to address this problem.
- For the paving project, I would like the Project Team to explore accommodations for the x country skiers like myself who could be negatively impacted. Either a wider shoulder for the path or a second unpaved trail connection.
- I would not support additional parking at the east end of Barton Nature Area, Kuebler Langford or Camp Hilltop.
- The project provides a safer pedestrian link for Ann Arbor Skyline High School students who live north of the railroad tracks and the Huron River.

Thank you,



Larry Baird
2277 W. Huron River Dr.
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Peter Sanderson

From: Robert Klingler [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 3:32 PM
To: Hanzel, Hillary
Subject: Bandemer Park Tunnel

Ms. Hanzel,
I support the Bandemer Park tunnel.
I think it is a nice idea.
Regards,
Robert

Peter Sanderson

From: Ella August [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 8:10 AM
To: Peter Sanderson; csmith@a2gov.org
Subject: I oppose paving Barton wood chip trail

Dear Peter and Colin,

I understand that the Border-to-Border Trail is progressing towards a continuous non-motorized paved path connecting Ann Arbor and Dexter. I am in support of the overall project. It's my understanding that a tunnel will be built under the railroad tracks between Bandemer Park and Barton Nature Area, which is much needed with or without the Border-to-Border Trail.

I oppose paving the wood chip trail through Barton Nature Area.

Please note that runners, walkers and hikers use this path alone and to connect the Kubler Langford Natural Area with Barton Nature Area. Paving it would completely eliminate the natural feel to it and would also make it much hotter in the summer. Paved surface is also harder on the body due to the increased stress of the pounding on joints. There are precious few unpaved trails for recreation in Ann Arbor. Please do not destroy on of our most beloved trails.

Ella August

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Gender Pronouns: *she/her/hers*

Peter Sanderson

From: Ariel Raupagh [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2019 9:15 PM
To: Peter Sanderson
Subject: Wood Chip Trail near Barton Dam

Hello,

I am an Ann Arbor resident and I DO NOT support the paving of the wood chip trail between Barton Dam and Huron River Drive. I run on the B2B weekly year round and really really appreciate the soft surface here. And I know many many others who feel the same way. That said, I am super excited about the B2B progress generally and feel so grateful for the good work being done to extend it!

Sincerely,

Ariel Raupagh

Peter Sanderson

From: Damenandemily [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 11:18 PM
To: hhanzel@a2gov.org; Peter Sanderson
Subject: Tunnel Project Feedback

Hi Hillary and Peter,

Thank you for your time and effort on the tunnel project. As a frequent bike commuter, walker, and family rider living in Water Hill, having a safe and legal crossing at the proposed location is a top priority for me and my family.

A couple comments / observations / requests:

1. I understand how this stretch has been labeled high speed rail, but any possible waiver that would allow an at grade crossing (especially for a the proposed non-motor vehicles) would be amazing. There are 6 passenger trains a day, and as much as I am a backer of rail, I can't honestly see this increasing in the near future. I worry that public sentiment will not support the tunnel (and it's eventual cost) and having a safe, legal crossing is long overdue. Is there a waiver process?
2. The phase 2 paving of the wood chip trail I have a couple reservations about.
 - Build vs. lifecycle costs: Many paved bike trails end up getting neglected and the pavement becomes severely degraded over time. This happened with Huron River Drive right where this trail will bleed into as well as other places along the B2B trail (e.g. Gallup). There is no guarantee maintenance will be a priority in the future.
 - Blending of many users: the proposed path is heavily used by trail runners, dog walkers, etc. It will attract families going for rides. It will also become the default route for packs of weekend warrior cyclists. These groups will not mix well.
 - The path is lined with wild blackberry bushes that many (myself included) love picking in the summer. (Ok - not a huge point, but man, those berries are great!)
 - I would prefer seeing a protected bike lane on Huron River Drive.

That said, connecting to the larger parking lot at Barton Dam would allow many more users (a good thing) and give folks on the west side of town a nice place to park and ride.

Two requests:

- do not pave this trail until the tunnel is completed. This was suggested during the meeting and would be a big mistake. An orphaned trail to nowhere would upset current users, not draw new users, and prematurely start the clock on the pavement weathering. The tunnel could get postponed for many reasons; don't jump the gun.
- The parking lot at Barton Dam will need to be expanded significantly. Those costs should be included. It is already well over capacity on weekends in the summer.

Again - super excited this is going forward and thank you both for your efforts. I'm happy to discuss any of the points above.

Damen
648 Hampstead Lane

Peter Sanderson

From: Barbara Lucas [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2019 4:02 PM
To: Peter Sanderson
Subject: support for the Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Dear Mr. Sanderson,

My husband and I are very excited about the Barton-Bandemer Connection Project. We cross there all the time illegally, and since we are law-abiding citizens, we don't like to do this. And I find it very dangerous because I am not very strong and my bike is heavy. But we have nearly been killed several times trying to cross Main Street on our bikes to get to Huron River Drive. That is an extremely dangerous situation.

For the sake of the city's Vision Zero and Climate Action goals, funding this project seems a no-brainer. We hope it is built fast enough that we are still young enough to get out and enjoy it! In fact, this project will help extend the years in which we can recreate in that part of town. And we will be able to take our grandchildren there too, confident of their safety.

My husband and I travel a lot with our bicycles both in the U.S. and internationally, and we always look for cities where the bicycle infrastructure is good. Any investment the city makes in pedestrian or bicycle infrastructure will surely have economic benefits, not to mention social, safety, climate and health benefits to boot.

Thanks for your support of this project.

Barbara and David Lucas
1211 Wright St.
Ann Arbor
[REDACTED]

Smith, Colin

From: Edmond Nadler [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2019 10:26 PM
To: Peter Sanderson; Smith, Colin; Ernst, Kevin
Subject: Re: Input on Expansion of the Border-to-Border Trail, for Feb. 26 meeting

Please acknowledge.

Thanks!

Ed Nadler

On Mon, Feb 25, 2019 at 11:47 PM Edmond Nadler <nadler@alum.mit.edu> wrote:

Dear Mr. Sanderson, Mr. Smith, and Mr Ernst,

I hope I have sent this to the appropriate people; if not would you please pass it on. Thanks!

I am unable to attend to meeting on the evening of Tuesday, Feb. 26 on the proposed pedestrian tunnel beneath the railroad tracks that would connect Barton Nature Area and Bandemer Park, but wanted to give some input.

I fully support the continued expansion of the Border-to-Border trail, and look forward to the day when I can bicycle all the way from Ann Arbor to Dexter on the trail. I love the existing bicycle trail between Dexter-Huron and Hudson Mills Metroparks. And I fully support the idea of that pedestrian tunnel connecting Barton Nature Area and Bandemer Park.

However, I am strongly opposed to paving the main wood-chip path through Barton Nature area, which would connect to the tunnel. I have seen indications of this recently on the trail itself before the snow came, and subsequently confirmed this in the 2016 document "[Segment D2-G Border-to-Border Nonmotorized Trail ~ Summary Report/Trail Master Plan from Dexter-Huron Metropark to Bandemer Park ~ Dexter to Ann Arbor](#)" where it says on p.54,

"It is proposed to use the existing pedestrian bridge (#7) downriver of Barton Dam to cross the river to the southeast. From the pedestrian bridge, the trail would convert an existing natural surface trail in Barton Nature Area to an asphalt trail, which ends at another existing pedestrian bridge (#8).",

and as illustrated in Figs. 28-30 on p. 61f.

This is a beautiful and unique trail with its lovely tree canopy toward the Ann Arbor end, which is enjoyed by legions of walkers, hikers and runners in the area. To pave it over would ruin it. There must be another way to continue the Border-to-Border border trail along this way. Perhaps a new trail closer to the railroad tracks?

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Edmond Nadler
Ann Arbor

Peter Sanderson

From: bob degutis [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 04, 2019 4:20 PM
To: Peter Sanderson
Subject: Re: B2b proposal

Hi Peter

Thank you for your reply. Now I understand the reason for the tunnel. I hope that it will be ramped so that we can ride our bikes thru to get onto HRD. carrying the bikes down/up stairs would be a hassle in cycling shoes. Also, hopefully the tunnel will be lighted. My wife and several female friends have expressed security concern about being in a dark tunnel that someone with bad intentions could be lurking.

As for the wood chip trail, I hope paving it is not a done deal and there could be an opportunity to have a public vote. Since I live very close to this park and use it weekly if not daily, I'd hope the closest neighbors impacted the most would have additional input. I am generally for the b2b, but not at the expense of taking away a beautiful wood chip trail. And especially when a very scenic paved hrd already exists. I've walked and run those wood chips for 15 years now, and I strongly oppose any paving in that area. I suppose the end result should be the opinion of the majority but those are my feelings.

Thanks and have a good day.

Bob

On Mar 4, 2019, at 3:47 PM, Peter Sanderson <sandersonp@washtenaw.org> wrote:

Hi Mr. Degutis,

Thank you for reaching out to express your feedback. Here are the answers to some of your questions:

You are correct about the project area being very near the current, illegal crossing. Unfortunately, we cannot simply gate this crossing like the Gallup/Geddes connection because this rail corridor is designated by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) as a "high speed rail corridor", which means that they are making improvements to increase train speed on the line (Detroit-Chicago). This designation by the FRA enacted a rule where no new "at-grade" (gated/signalized) crossings will be allowed and in fact, they are trying to reduce the number of at-grade crossings. The reason that Geddes/Gallup exists is that crossing was previously existing and permitting and is where the original Geddes road went prior to the construction of the large modern bridge over the Huron in the late 1960's. Additionally, we looked at going over the tracks (instead of a tunnel) with a bridge and it is not very practical when we meet ADA requirements, which would result in 300 plus foot-long ramps on each end of what would be a very large structure.

With regards to Barton Nature Area, our proposal is to only modify the main, already wide trail that connects directly between the two existing bridges, not to create a paved loop trail. All of the other, existing natural surface trails in the nature area would remain untouched. Please see the two below images for aesthetic examples of the B2B trail that has been constructed in the Dexter area through natural areas.

<image002.jpg>

Hopefully this helps to clarify our proposal. Please let me know if you have any additional questions or comments.

Regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: bob degutis [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 04, 2019 12:00 PM
To: Peter Sanderson
Subject: B2b proposal

Hi Peter

I read the b2b proposal and am all for making a legal and safe connection between bandameer park and hrd. I couldn't attend the public hearing so I'm sorry if my questions may be repeats. I'm a 20 year resident of the Northside neighborhood and live on chandler, and my wife and I and our dogs use the Argo loop, bird hills, Girl Scout trails, and wood chip trail near Barton daily.

When I looked at the map my understanding is that the proposed tunnel to be made is in the area in bandameer that is currently used illegally daily to cross the tracks to get to Girl Scout camp, bird hills, and hrd.

First, friends and I were discussing why a tunnel, and why not a connector similar to how Gallup has a connector to Geddes? There are many gravel roads that I bike on, and I'm certain not all of them have an electric fence that comes down. But even so, is a more costly solution than a tunnel?

Second, the Barton nature are is really nice as it has existed for many years. It's a great low impact trail system where we have run repeats down the wood chips, dog walked, and just generally felt like we were getting away from Things. I would very strongly urge the decision makers to not pave this area. Even the loop at Gallup park, arguably the most busy city park of all, has wood chip sections and is not a fully paved loop. I'd really hate to gain a legal crossing and lose a beloved trail.

I just thought I'd like to pass my thoughts along for your consideration.

Thanks,
Bob Degutis

Peter Sanderson

From: Eric Macks [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2019 7:45 PM
To: Peter Sanderson
Subject: Fwd: Please Support making Barton-Bandemer Connection Project #1 on priority list for A2 Parks/Trails Projects

Hi Peter,

I'm sharing with you below my attempt to influence Ann Arbor city council and Mayor about the importance of the Barton-Bandemer project.

Thanks,
Eric

Begin forwarded message:

From: Eric Macks <ericmacks@hotmail.com>
Subject: Please Support making Barton-Bandemer Connection Project #1 on priority list for A2 Parks/Trails Projects
Date: February 27, 2019 at 7:43:10 PM EST
To: CityCouncil@a2gov.org

Dear City Council and Mayor Taylor,

I'm writing to ask that you to approve plans for the proposed B2B trail Barton-Bandemer Connection Project and more importantly move this project to the top of the priority list for city Ann Arbor Parks and Rec projects, including making it the top priority for any trails work in the city.

Though I have been biking along the Huron River for almost 30 years, over the past two years I have increased my visits by bicycle, with my family, along the Huron River due to the completion of sections of the Border to Border(B2B) trail. I have ridden most of the bike trails in the state of Michigan and would rank the Hudson Mills to Dexter Huron Metro Park section of the B2B trail to be some of the most scenic trail in Michigan, and particularly amazing given how close it is to a large population center, Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti for Washtenaw County.

Though the B2B trail has many unfinished sections, including the section between Dexter Huron Metro Park and Barton Nature Area, I believe the most important work to be done on the entire length of the B2B trail is adding some method of traversing the boundary between Barton Nature Area and Bandemer Park.

The land, water and freeway separating these two parks creates a very formidable challenge for pedestrians and any non-motorized transit to get from downtown Ann Arbor and/or Bandemer Park over to Barton Nature Area and/or Huron River Drive or vice versa.

I've led a large group of Bicyclist on a bike tour from Hudson Mills park to Gallup Park twice in the last 2 years which is a beautiful approximately 30 mile round trip ride. I witnessed on both of these occasions how confusing it was for the group to navigate easily and safely the bicycling route from Barton Dam area through to Bandemer or Argo Parks.

Of course, the easiest route to follow when traveling east on Huron River Drive and wanting to reach Bandemer Park or Argo Park easily and safely, is to ride Huron River Drive to Newport Road to Sunset Road and just avoid the whole area of Barton Nature Area.

When I suggested this safe and easy to navigate route to my bicycle group they all laughed and not one was willing to ride up the difficult climb which is Newport Road hill to Sunset Road, nor were they interested in missing the scenic beauty of Huron River Road or the many parks they would miss by going the Newport Road route.

So what ensued was a splintering of the group as riders, some Ann Arbor residents and some from out of town, took many different paths to get from Barton to Bandemer.

- 1) Some walked their bikes over Barton Dam and under the chain that blocks the drive way to the dam in Barton Hills.
- 2) Some walked their bikes over the rail way near Barton Dam after crossing the river on the foot bridge.
- 3) Some walked their bikes over the rail way near Bandemer Park after riding their bikes through Barton Nature Area.
- 4) Finally, some chose to ride Huron River Drive to Main Street and then wait for traffic to clear and make the risky traverse of the M-14 entrance and exit ramps to cross Main Street and ride a narrow dirt path along North Main Street going south to reach the sidewalk along Main Street.

I think the experience of my bike group illustrates the decades old problem that exists in this area of town, this is that there is no legal and/or safe route between these two areas of town or these two amazing Ann Arbor parks. This problem has become much worse over the past 10 or 20 years with the increase in motor vehicle traffic on North Main and M-14 and the increased speed limit on North Main making it less safe to cross over North Main near Huron River Drive, or ride a bicycle along North Main Street. Also, there are greater numbers of people trying to traverse the boundary between Barton Nature Area and Bandemer Park and so many people each day are traversing the rail way between the two parks.

Furthermore with development of the B2B trail this barrier to east-west travel along the Huron River corridor has risen to much greater importance and currently is, I believe, the only thing stopping an immediate large scale increase in the B2B trail use. **Particularly for Ann Arbor residents this area of town is a barrier to the use of parks along the Huron River and the B2B trail.**

The proposed design for the Barton-Bandemer Connection Project which includes a short “underpass” or tunnel to safely pass under the rail way near Bandemer Park, and a paved section of trail through Barton Nature Area will clearly eliminate this only barrier to travel along the B2B, at least within the Hudson Mills Metropark thru the city of Ypsilanti section. This is a 23.5 mile stretch of bicycling, from Hudson Mills through Ypsilanti that includes beautiful scenery, and serenity, but also places to eat and shop, and many parks for recreation. The proposed rail way underpass eliminates a very difficult traverse that many runners and hikers as well currently navigate daily to get back and forth from Bandemer Parks and Barton Nature Area.

This barrier to travel between these two Ann Arbor parks should have been fixed decades ago but now has risen to much greater importance because it is an impediment to transportation and recreation for people traveling much greater distances from and to this location.

Thanks for looking closely at the priority given to this project. Let's get this done!

Eric Macks
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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1792

Date Submitted: 3/1/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

Word of mouth, social media,

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

Love the idea! I wish the Barton portion connected to another trail at the dam.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

I like the tunnel. It will need excellent lighting for safety. At first I wasn't sure about the paved trail but think it will be best for drainage and for multi purpose use from bikes and peds.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

Meeting Powerpoint

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Map of the Project

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1794

Date Submitted: 3/2/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

I am a longtime cyclist and a member of the Washtenaw County Parks and Rec Commission.

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

Let's get 'er done!

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

I think it's an absolutely essential project. When this tunnel is in place, cyclists like me will be able to ride to Dexter and beyond, without riding on the deadly N. Main corridor or having to illegally cross the tracks.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1797

Date Submitted: 3/2/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

email, newspaper

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

This is a great, overdue project that connects two riverfront parks by providing a legal and convenient way to cross the railroad tracks. It extends the B2B trail westward from Ann Arbor and provides an alternative route for bikers who are not comfortable biking on Huron River Drive, which is narrow, dangerous, and often scary to access from North Main Street.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

I am in favor of paving a trail through Barton Nature Area from the pedestrian bridge near the proposed tunnel to the parking lot near the dam. This will make the nature area accessible to more people, while still leaving many trails within the park in a more natural, unpaved state. In addition, the current trail is often muddy and difficult to use, and paving is likely to solve this problem.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Map of the Project

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1800

Date Submitted: 3/3/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

HRWC RiverUp! Program

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

No concerns

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

As a runner and cyclist, there is currently no safe way to access Bandemer from Barton Nature area. This connector is needed as the current method for runners involves illegally crossing the tracks and is unsafe. This connector will allow for more use of the B2B trail as seen when use increased in Dexter when the trail was expanded to the library. This connection project will improve the quality of life for Washtenaw county residents.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1802

Date Submitted: 3/3/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

Kept up with b2b development

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

I wholeheartedly support a safe way to cross the tracks to get from bandameer park to Huron river drive. From what I see the proposed tunnel is at the spot everyone has crossed the tracks illegally for years. I support a tunnel that I can ride a bike thru (no steps). My concern is the proposal to pave the wood chip trail. I've run this trail for many years along with many running groups. It is an great low impact trail. Please do not pave this area, it is really perfect as it is.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

Please make the tunnel, but leave the wood chip trail and that park alone. It is a wonderful nature area as-is.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

I am a weekly user of three park that includes the wood chip trail. It is primarily used by runners, dog walkers, bird watchers. Developing this area would not be an improvement and would take away from the rustic component. Please focus on making a great tunnel.

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1803

Date Submitted: 3/3/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

newspaper, social media

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

effect on existing landscape and habitat.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

All for the connection of B2B, but not sure why a tunnel has to be built instead of a roadbed with a gated crossing which seems like it would be a much lower cost. (Afterall, people have crossed over that track for decades.) Inside Barton, do not like the use of pavement because of storm water runoff and effect on habitat if there is an intention to salt/brine to maintain during winter.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1806

Date Submitted: 3/4/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

Social media & Run / bike groups

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

In full support of a safe way to get across the tracks!!

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

I would use this fairly regularly

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1810

Date Submitted: 3/4/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

Facebook

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

I support this project wholeheartedly. Getting out and back from HRD on bike is dangerous via Main Street and is the only possible route now that we can just hop over the tracks.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1811

Date Submitted: 3/4/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

WBWC Newsletter

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

Only a general recognition that funds are limited for NMT trails, and we should prioritize the extension of the B2B/Iron Belle Trail in applying for funding. It is not clear from this presentation what the alternatives are, and what projects (like a trail along HRD) are de-prioritized by this project.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

Like the solution and resulting connections. It directly addresses the challenges of continuous, safe NMT access through this area, and reduced unsafe human-train interactions on the tracks.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1818

Date Submitted: 3/4/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

Word of mouth

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

First, cost. Second, impact (specifically addition of paved surfaces) in Barton Nature Area. Generally this is an attractive proposal. I would like to see any compromise that would control the cost and maintain the integrity of a natural area as much as possible while at the same time providing a safe link between HRD and Bandemer.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

Likes: Increased linkages. Dislikes: Addition of pavement where none exists now, potential for exorbitant cost.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

A suggestion: Even with a map, this is a really tough thing for folks to visualize. I run these trails all the time and still am not entirely sure I'm thinking of the right markers when I look at the map. Might I suggest someone go out there and walk this proposed segment with a camera -- including going up to the illegal train track crossing -- so that folks can see the current state of things and better visualize how the proposed changes would improve things or not?

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1843

Date Submitted: 3/7/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

Social Media

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

My only concern is, the connection could be use by motorized vehicles like ebikes that are getting more common.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

I really like it, because for years I have been waiting for this save and legal connection.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Thank you to WCPARC for that beautiful and great trail system, looking forward to use many miles of it this year and years to come.

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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How did you hear about this project?

Social media

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

Safety/lighting and flooding. A barrier will need to go up and be maintained in order to stop illegal railroad crossings. The tunnel should be wide enough for both bicycles and pedestrians to be moving through it with ease in both directions at the same time and be as short as possible.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

Very excited about it. Makes Barton nature area and bird hills nature area more easily accessible by foot from the north side of Ann Arbor

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1846

Date Submitted: 3/7/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

social media—facebook

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

I am so excited and happy about the project to build a tunnel under the tracks at that corner of Bandemer Park! This will be a huge advantage to walkers and bicyclers, connecting some of our most wonderful parks. Thank you for considering this! Please move forward with this project!

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

looks fantastic

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

yes please move forward with this project

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

Meeting Powerpoint

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1847

Date Submitted: 3/7/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

Facebook

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

I like extending the b2b trail and having more access to paved trails.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

Meeting Powerpoint

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Map of the Project

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1848

Date Submitted: 3/7/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

Social media

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

How it will be paid for

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

The b2b trail is a great idea. Connection of those two parts and the parks with a walkway is a good idea.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Map of the Project

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1849

Date Submitted: 3/7/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

Tunnel is a great idea! The connection between the parks is an obvious public benefit--just look at walkers' and bike riders' persistent efforts to cross the tracks despite ever more aggressive attempts to block them with concrete barriers. That tells you what you need to know: people will make the crossing one way or the other, so give them a safe and convenient way to do so.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1850

Date Submitted: 3/7/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

Social Media

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

Use of current trail in area during construction. Increased cyclist usage of the trail and risk of high traffic volume surrounding the Argo livery, Rowing club launch area and path. I'm concerned about pedestrian safety.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

I support this proposed project. I believe it is the perfect next step to connect the border to border trail and encourage pedestrian and cyclist activity.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Great planning, I'm sure it will be successful!

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1852

Date Submitted: 3/7/2019

Public Meeting Information

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How did you hear about this project?

Facebook

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

Please please please build this pedestrian tunnel! This is the only way I can bike to work and it is very dangerous to try to carry my bike over the wooden structure and railroad tracks!

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

I see no downside to this project.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

I don't understand why we would not allow people a safe way to use green transportation to get to work and downtown from a very large neighborhood. There are no other feasible options.

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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How did you hear about this project?

friends

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

No concerns. Love the idea!

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project :

Likes and dislikes about the project

I think it would be wonderful have safe ways to get around the city without a car. Love everything about it!

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1854

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How did you hear about this project?

FB

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

None

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

I would LOVE for there to be a tunnel here (**you also desperately need something at Arb->Gallup). We would love to ride our bikes from N Maple to A2STEAM elementary and middle school on Pontiac Trail. This would allow us to stay off of Huron River Drive for longer and I don't have to send my daughter any mixed messages about whether or not she should cross tracks (and she could go without me at times). It is a pain to ride across the dam bridge and I can't figure out how I am supposed to get from there to the Barton Hills road without trespassing through someone's lawn. It is also almost impossible to find the tunnel that goes under the highway to the Pontiac Trail neighborhood (and it's flooded). There are basically no signs saying which way to go for B2B or to access these key crossing points in the most confusing section. We need help. Thank you for looking into options. This tunnel would also make it easier to access downtown. Note that a cyclist was hit by a car on N Main because she couldn't figure out how to safely ride from the Huron River area to downtown except on the eastern sidewalk and then she was hit by a car that was popping out of a business at the traffic light with no visibility. We need work in this area. Thanks.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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How did you hear about this project?

Social media

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

I do have some concerns about generating even more bike traffic on HRD. The road isn't safe for both cars and bikes.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

Would make it safer for bikes.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Date Submitted: 3/10/2019

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How did you hear about this project?

facebook friend

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

It provides safer access from the western side of the B2B trail to both Barton/Whitmore/PontiacTr or to downtown.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

who doesn't like safety?

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

please :)

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1872

Date Submitted: 3/11/2019

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How did you hear about this project?

Neighbor

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

None, I Consider it a great benefit to quality of life especially for cyclists around Ann Arbor

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

Consider it a great benefit to quality of life especially for cyclists around Ann Arbor

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1878

Date Submitted: 3/11/2019

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How did you hear about this project?

news, social media

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

That it won't happen

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

This should have happened decades ago

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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How did you hear about this project?

Social media

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

We need a tunnel!

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

Love the project

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1858

Date Submitted: 3/7/2019

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How did you hear about this project?

I read about it in MLive and I check out the maps online as work progresses.

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

I would love to see this tunnel connection happen! My worries are mostly about upkeep through time. Michigan weather seems to be very cruel to concrete. This is a damp area (yes, I admit I have crossed the tracks there), sand or salt might be needed to keep the surface safe. The area is also spooky now (at least for a woman) with lots of evidence of homeless habitation, and regular foot and bike traffic might help. I would hope that it would not become a shelter from weather for homeless campers. I am glad that there would be some lighting.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

I'm a bit sad to think of the Barton Park trail becoming a more major thoroughfare, yet I really like the idea that the trail would then be handicap-accessible. Maybe the side trails will get more foot-travel as a result. I hope that the long-term maintenance and management are being planned and budgeted.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

I love the idea of the entire B2B trail. I think that investments like this make Ann Arbor an attractive destination, just like the Argo Cascades and Skate Park. I would also like to be able to walk and bike it.

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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Border-to-Border Trail: Barton Bandemer Connection Project - Submission #1859

Date Submitted: 3/8/2019

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How did you hear about this project?

Through friend, traditional and social media

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

I have heard that the last section on BTB built will be from Main Street to Zeeb. I hope this section is built sooner than later.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

It will improve my safety. I will no longer have to ride my bike on North Main to access HRD from downtown.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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How did you hear about this project?

Social media

Examples: newspaper, social media, email, other

General concerns about the project

This tunnel is crucial and needed both to expand the B2B and to ensure safety for the many many people who are regularly crossing the tracks at this location.

Please indicate your main concerns regarding the B2B Barton-Bandemer Connection Project

Likes and dislikes about the project

This is a great project which needs to happen. The tunnel will connect the B2B to two other great nature areas and increase access to the river.

What do you like and dislike about any of the proposed designs, alignments, or solutions?

Other comments

Is there anything else that you would like us to know?

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