

	WB&A Trail Bridge at Patuxent	Actual Start Time: 4/5/2022 6:02:00 PM
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1	(a) Will there be a ground-breaking ceremony, and when?; (b) Will there be a dedication ceremony, and when?; (c) Is the bridge to be named for anyone?	live answered
2	Is there a website where we can follow the progress ?	Yes. Anne Arundel County Recreation & Parks, Capital Planning updates. On the right side of the Rec & Parks page you will see capital project updates and active projects. UPDATE: https://www.aacounty.org/departments/recreation-parks/capital-projects/Projects
3	who is responsible for maintenance? And who pays for maintenance?	Our partnership with Prince George's Co and MNCPPC
4	What is the bridge surface?	Specified as a metal decking with an anti skid coating.
5	How will the stormwater management affect abutting properties.	They will be close to the abutments. Very little new impervious surfaces are involed in this project. Stormwater has been reviewed and approved as part of this project.
6	do you have a rendering of what the bridge will look like?	We do not. In the design plans we can see what it looks like. It will be a typical ped bridge with metal railings for support.
7	Where will the closure of the WB&A Trail begin?	Conway Rd on the Anne Arundel County side. From the Prince George's county side it will be the spur trail near Race Track Rd.
8	Will just the PG side spur be closed or more of the trail?	It will be closed on both sides. From Conway rd. The last segment of the trail in AA County will be closed.
9	How will workers access the work area on a daily basis?	There are staging areas on each side of the river for each County. It will be up to the contractor to make the determination on how best to proceed.
10	Is there consistent signage for the WB& A Trail between Prince George's And Anne Arundel County? Will there be signage when you enter into AA County and when you enter into Prince George's County?	We anticipate signage at the bridge and letting people know what entrance they will be entering and leaving. Robert Patten is the Prince George's Co trail program Mgr, we have a good group working on this but we will have to follow up with what's already on the ground in Prince George's Co signage wise.
11	What will the bridge look like? How wide will it be? What is is made of?	Approx 14 ft span.
12	I apologize if this was answered before I joined. will there be parking near the trail in two rivers?	There is parking on the AA County side, it is near two rivers. Patuxent and Braggers Rd is the landmark. It's signed so you should not have trouble locating it. Please do not park in the two rivers community.

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13	Will there be disruption to conway traffic?	There will be access by our contractor from the AA county side as well as the PG County side. Our entry way is just past two rivers. There are residential areas beyond us, we hope there will not be much traffic. Dawn and Robert from AA County are available to receive concerns and work through issues.
14	Where is the web site to track progress?	Dawn will paste the website into the chat to everyone.
15	Where will the trail be temporarily closed on the anne arundel side, at the terminus only, and or can we still use the trail during the construction?	The trail will be closed at the Conway Rd entrance. You will not be able to use that length of trail down to the river. Please remain out to ensure safety.
16	Where is the staging area for materials, equipment, workers during construction?	On the AA County side there is staging area near the river. The PG county side has a few staging areas where there is space along the trail because they will have use of the entire spur. We are in the early on-site stages. Know more as we move forward on the project and the contractor makes those choices.
17	What portions of the trail on the Prince Georges side will be closed during construction, the entire length of the WB&A spur or just that section directly impacted by the construction?	The contractor will have access of the entire spur from Race Track Rd. A couple miles at least, the entire section will be closed.
18	Can you say how wide and how high above the Patuxent River the bridge will be?	The bridge will be a 14 ft clear. The height varies because the ground wasn't completely flat, it's approximately 12 ft above ground.
19	Good evening, will there be lighting on the bridge?	There will not be lighting on the bridge.
20	Any renderings of the newly proposed bridge and trail ?	No
21	Can you put the link for the web site to track status in the chat?	Done by Dawn Thomas. UPDATE: https://www.aacounty.org/departments/recreation-parks/capital-projects/Projects
22	Will the bridge surface be constructed of concrete? (I hope). The other cyclist bridges that have wood surfaces are VERY dangerous when wet. I've slipped and fell at least 3 times recently on the wooden bridges.	Steel plate with an anti-skid coating.
23	can you share a copy of the MOU on Maintenance?	That is not something we typically do. You can reach out to Adam (AA County Trails) with questions 410-222-6141 Or Robert Patten on the PG County side (email will be posted on the chat by Dawn). UPDATE: robert.patten@pgparks.com
24	Is the bridge a prefab, why is construction duration so long?	The bridge super structure is prefab. There are 2 abutments and 3 intermediate piers that will be constructed on site. There are approaches to pave. Work restrictions from Feb/March-June 15 in both years so there are a lot of factors that lead to construction duration.

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25	will there be a water fountain?	No, we are not anticipating a water fountain at this time.
26	What will be the full length of the bike trail end-to-end once complete?	On the AA county side that is a little over 9 miles. The PG side may be a little over 5 miles.
27	Can you be more specific about what metal decking is (with anti-skid coating)?	There are steel deck plates, with an anti-skid coating. You can replace the plates if needed unlike concrete.
28	How wide will the bridge be?	The bridge is 14 feet wide between the hand rails.
29	On which side of the river will construction begin?	There will be activity on both sides of the river, that will be up to the contractor.
30	What will the surface width be? Same width as adjacent trail? Thank you	14 ft, the asphalt trails leading up to that are 10 ft wide.
31	Why do you not allow us to ask our questions with sound?	With large virtual public meeting groups we generally opt to use the Q&A function in an effort to ensure everyone is able to submit their question(s) and we can maintain a type written copy. Audio on a meeting of this size would not be conducive to a productive meeting because of the number of voices that would be involved.
32	And where on the AA county side?	Conway Rd entrance to the wooded area.
33	Will the WBA trail be used for access to the construction site?	If this is referring to the AA County side the section from Conway Rd to the river will be used so it will be closed.
34	what sort of crime assessment has been conducted. the bridge will provide a shortcut, backdoor access to an affluent neighborhood	We have resources on our website, it discusses trails and criminal activity and finds that the desirable use of trails curbs that kind of activity. Dawn will put that link into the chat box for attendees to take a look. UPDATE: https://www.aacounty.org/departments/recreation-parks/parks/trails/forms-and-publications/trail-development-questions-resources.pdf
35	Who is the contact for MNCPPC, AA County and Prince George's County for this partnership project?	The contact for PG and MNCPPC Robert Patten (Bob) his email is in the chat. AA County Robert Fernandez and Dawn Thomas are available. We will put our contact slide back up.
36	What is the width of the bridge span decking - enough for two way traffic?	14ft. Two way ped traffic will be comfortable but not separating peds from cyclists specifically.
37	What is the phase schedule?	May we have some clarification? The project is not being phased.
38	How long is the bridge? Will there be a separation of pedestrian traffic from cyclists?	No separation of ped and bike traffic; 520 ft bridge.
39	Thanks so much for the presentation. As Jon Korin pointed out in the chat, this bridge really ties together a lot of trails and trail networks, including the East Coast Greenway. Will there be opportunities for placing signage near the bridge to illuminate these broader regional connections?	We do work with and support the East Coast Greenway. We do anticipate some additional signage going in.
40	How many attendees are on this Zoom?	89 attendees at the highest point

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41	Is AA County responsible for ALL the construction?	AA County is the project lead, we are responsible for the construction yet PG county MNCPPC is our partner with funding, design and that whole process.
42	What will the width of the bridge be and will it allow two way traffic of bikes with people standing on the side?	14ft. We are not encouraging anyone to halt on the bridge. There is not to be regular gathering. It is a transportation and recreational network. Our operational teams, the people in the field will assist.
43	Is AA co solely responsible for the management of the bridge and lead ins or is it shared with PG co	We are partnering with PG County
44	The reason I ask about signage is the WB&A Trail in Anne Arundel County has signs that are in disrepair and are badly needed in updating. If there is a WB&A logo, it should be used consistently throughout the trail no matter what the jurisdiction. I am hoping someone can help with updating the WB&A trail in Anne Arundel county.	live answered. UPDATE: A Co Trail Rangers reviewed the signage on the trail and found regulatory and informational signage to be legible. Interpretive signage is showing signs of deterioration and will need maintenance or maintenance which will have to be budgeted due to their expense.
45	I noticed construction signs went up on the Anne Arundel side several years ago. why was the project delayed?	When the jurisdictions had to transition their permitting offices that was a factor the PG County and MNCPPC processing is a little different. We had to submit through varying channels.
46	any anticipated road closures or disruptions on Conway Road during construction?	We are beyond two rivers on the AA County side but there are communities beyond two rivers. They may be a little slow coming off Conway Rd due to some tight turns.
47	Will the parking lot at braggers be expanded?	There is a potential to expand should the need arise.
48	There is no space on Conway Road near the trail head for trucks and trades	They will not stay on Conway, they will be going down the trail or using the PG County side of that makes more sense.
49	As for the Rail/Trail property south of the bridge site, is this park property open to the public?	On the AA Co side the trail is within our right of way, the right of way is 30 ft wide and our trail is 10 ft wide. There is flood plain near the river, that would be open to the public. There is an existing natural trail system on the AA Co side near the water near end of the existing trail that is NOT AA co property, that is private.
50	What were the findings and solutions for possible flooding in the area of the bridge?	With the bridge deck elevation height the bridge is set above the 100 yr flood plain. It went through a detailed hydrolysis analysis.
51	Does the bridge have lighting?	No lighting
52	What are some anticipated risks that could cancel or delay completion of the bridge construction?	With the 15 month schedule we have a segment of winter/wet months depending on that there could be weather delays. Materials; hopefully they are available and there won't be shortages or delays. Those are some things that could impact schedule.
53	Does policing "control" on the bridge belong to one or both counties? Also, please answer about sharing the MOU. Thank you.	Both counties work together for issues on the bridge and they have a program for communication. Please contact our Superintendent of Trails, Adam, about the MOU

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54	Has this project plan been communicated with the Two Rivers Community Developers and the Homeowners Association, as a Two Rivers resident, I am concerned about the lack of any staging area at the head of the trail on Conway and therefore traffic disruptions	Mailings did include the HOA. Two Rivers has worked with us on the trail as a whole. Having a staging area at Conway Rd would be an issue as opposed to having construction travel down to the workspace.
55	Will progress photos be posted on the status web page?	On occasion we do update photos on the webpage.
56	Thank you all for the hard work and bringing this project to fruition. I think many of us are pretty excited.	live answered
57	We already have problems with folks parking on Conway in the no parking anytime stretches on both sides of the road at the WB&A trail head. The boulders and fences helped a bit with that. Please add more at project completion.	live answered
58	This is probably a late in the course of the trail history question, but has there been any discussion on temporary signage to direct cyclists from Race Track road to Conway Rd while the connection is being completed?	I think if people are trying to make that kind of travel they may know of a route to try to get around. We can work with our bike commission on routing resources potentially. Dawn will also check with Bob Patten. UPDATE: Given the length of this connection and nature of these roads and lack of DPR having any jurisdiction over state and county roads, we would not undertake any signage on our side.-Bob Patten
59	the MOU will be a good model for other cross jurisdictional bridges and connection on the Capital Trails Network,	live answered. UPDATE: Anne Arundel Rec and Parks shares questions and resources with other professionals via platforms within the state and national recreation and parks associations like MRPA and NRPA. We have used as well as shared resources and lessons learned in this manner.
60	Are there other bridges that use this metal plate anti skid surface in AA Co?	Not in AA Co but there are in Maryland. We do not have any recollection of there being any close by to this site.
61	How long does the anti-skid coating last?	The bridge panels are changeable but we will get back To you on this question. UPDATE: Regardless of the life cycle, the bridge will be maintained and individual planks in need of repair can & will be replaced when needed.
62	what is the speediest on the trail and on the bridge?	The speed on trails is 15mph in AA co.
63	In the chat box history the information you are giving us cannot be copied - will you provide us with a summary?	The links that were shared can be added to the website. Qiana can send the information if you provide your email address in the chat / Q&A.
64	are these wb&a trails dog- friendly?	Absolutely as long as your dog is on a leash and under your control and you pick up after them they are welcome on our trails.
65	Will you publish the presentation and Q&A afterwards?	We will have it on the capital planning & construction webpage that was mentioned earlier.

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66	speed limits?	15mph
67	Qiana says the length of the WB&A trail on AA side is 9 miles. I don't understand that. The trail seems to end at Odenton road, which is only a few miles from the Pax trailhead. Does the part of the WB&A in AA go somewhere else other than end at Odenton Road?	It was Dawn who provided the trail length. We do have a phase 4 that follows along strawberry lake way to Waugh Chapel that's partially constructed. Ph 1 = 2.27 miles, ph 2 = 1.68 Miles, ph 3 = 1.71 miles (ph 1-3 main spine) ph 5 bridge, ph 4 starts along Strawberry Lake Way and is intended to reach Annapolis Rd and presently ends at Waugh Chapel.
68	Are there plans to repave the portions of the trail used by the contractor after the bridge is completed?	Yes that is part of the contract if that's necessary
69	How can we access the chat box questions and answers after this webinar?	The Q&A will be available Under the capital planning and construction section on the Rev & Parks webpage.
70	Will the sections of the trail closed for construction need to be re-paved once the bridge is completed? Will the work damage the closed trail sections?	Covered in a previous response. Dawn stated if need be that is a part of the contract.
71	Where do we go to see the actual plans. And basically by phase i mean a timeline of planned progress.	We have the plans stored at Public Works. We can post a section of them under the Rec & Parks website. That is not a standard that we do with each of our projects. UPDATE: We will post a portion of the plan set.
72	Will park police be patrolling the bridge or will an emergency call box located on bridge or approaches?	Park Police are on the PG Co /MNCPPC side and will be on location. And park rangers on the AACo side patrol our trail systems weekly. We do not have an emergency call box at this time.
73	Will horses, and thus horse droppings, be allowed on the bridge (traction issue)?	They are not currently anticipated on the bridge. Trail Ops, Adam Smith (410-222-6141) works through those requests. UPDATE: For other information about horses on the trails in AA Co, please look here: https://www.aacounty.org/departments/recreation-parks/parks/trails/equestrian-trails/index.html
74	Suggestion: In the WB&A in PG County we have sections dedicated to cleaning of sections of the trail... Have plans for this?	We have friends of AA trails group. Cleaning is not one of their highlighted activities or efforts. If there is graffiti maintenance will work with that. Adam will be a good follow up to ask about these type of programs for the AACo side or Bob Patten for the PG side.
75	Before COVID and up until this point, this project was put on the back burner. What do we have to assure us that this won't happen again and this project is now a GO to be completed timely?	We have the construction funding and the contractor on board. The county, state legislatures are supportive of trails. We have been enjoying this support from elected officials and funding sources, we also have a bike commission now. The office of Transportation is also a new office now, with the County's first bike/ped planner. Her name is Tanya Asman. We have made a lot of progress, there are too many people with too much interest to see this go back to the way it was in prior years.
76	Thanks so much!	live answered

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77	mile markers on the trails?	We have maps on the website for the Wb&A trail and mile markers. UPDATE: There are mile markers on the AACo side.
78	Will the sections of the trail closed for construction need to be re-paved once the bridge is completed? Will the work damage the closed trail sections? How long does the anti-skid coating last?	The contractor includes repair of needed.
79	Already people are parking in the two rivers 55 plus club house parking lot daily and more so on the weekend. When this is completed there will be that many more especially if they dont increase the Braggers parking lot which would help.	live answered
80	Thank You that is what i am talking about. it is back of two rivers and there is an old rail line that is on park property. Any chance you could consider establishing an easement agreement for people to access the park property from the trail.	The former rail road line to the river some mapping may call that Patuxent river park but that is an error. There is much land that is two rivers. We would not want to encourage anyone into private property.
81	It is called "Patuxent River Park"	live answered. UPDATE: Anne arundel County has a new tool, Park Finder which will help you find parkland, trails, and recreational assets like basketball courts and playgrounds. Link is here: https://gis.aacounty.org/mapping/index.html?viewer=AACo_ParkFinder
82	What kind of status information will be presented and how often?	The information would be on the construction and park planning. Every couple of months we work to get updates posted.
83	Is there anything else being presented tonight after the Q&A?	Contact info posted
84	The Two River Developer worked with several members of the PGCBPSG many years ago to plan this trail and bridge.	live answered
85	why isn't a parking lot being built at the top of the hill on Conway?	We have a parking lots at Patuxent River and Braggers Rd. We do not have enough ROW at Conway Rd.
86	Thanks for your answers!	live answered
87	Thank you all for all your work and been looking forward to this being done for a long time.	live answered
88	Jim Titus (Glen Dale Civic association, Govonors committee on bicycling safety) and Fred Schaffer (MNCPPC) were the key individuals to make this happen.	live answered
89	Will there be a police patrol on the trail at times?	Answered earlier

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90	Are horses allowed on the Bridge? They are apparently allowed on a portion of the PG side of WB&A. (and the owners do not pick up after their pets!)	Answered earlier
91	PS - Patuxent River Park is less than 100 ft from the WB&A trail.	Not on the Anne Arundel side.
92	Posting the plans is a very good idea.	live answered
93	There are no call boxes anywhere on any part of the trail in either county.	live answered
94	That is not true. The Equestrian groups have permission to use ALL of this trail in Prince George's County.	live answered
95	Yes, Friends groups. On the PG side we clean:>)	live answered
96	A program like this is great as for busineses and people get recognition (by the signs) for their efforts to help us stay clean	live answered
97	Can tyou give us the conatcs for your bike group and bike planner(s)?	Jon Korin is our chair of the bike commission, . There is a webpage for the bike commission here: https://www.aacounty.org/boards-and-commissions/bicycle-advisory-commission/index.html . Tanya Asman, Bike/Ped Planner is available at trasma00@aacounty.org or 410-222-7477.
98	Yes	live answered
99	There is no signage anywhere.	live answered
100	I have checked on this, there is flood plane park property back there.	live answered
101	I will check again.	live answered
102	Thank you so much for answering our questions. Been looking forward to this bridge for a very long time. :^)	live answered
103	why is there no architectural rendering of what the bridge looks like?	We have plan drawings
104	on the PG side.... will access to the play ground behind the pumping station be closed/blocked?	Bob Patten at PG can answer.
105	Police do not patrol the trail.	live answered
106	For AACo Horse Trails....Bun bags / manure catchers are only required while riding on or along paved trails.	live answered
107	I have seen AA County Police on Bikes on WB&A Trail.	live answered