

Greenway Technical Committee (GTC) Staff meeting

10 AM – Thursday, April 13, 2023

NOTE DATE CHANGE

Icon Sports Center, 1060 47th Ave South, Blue Line Club Meeting room

Grand Forks, ND

Meeting Notes

Reid Huttunen, Committee Chair
Catherine Johnson, MN DNR
Steve Hell, GF Park District
Sgt. Kris Brown, GF Police Department
Stephanie Halford, MPO

Steve Hell, GF Park District
Matt Arvig, GF Streets Department
Kim Greendahl, City of GF
Theresa Flitter, City of GF

I. Old Business

A. Greenway map update: The goal is to have the map completed by mid-May.

i. Discussion items:

1. Should this map also include winter activities? No. That should be a separate map.
2. How many years do we expect the map to be “live?” Ten years.

B. Committee name and meeting notes: In a meeting a few months ago, the GF city attorney mentioned a concern about using the word “committee” in this group’s name. Kim asked for clarification later, and no response was received. The group decided not to make any changes until asked to do so.

C. Meeting notes. The purpose of the staff meeting instead of a public meeting is to allow staff to discuss items as a committee before discussing them at a public meeting. Those meeting notes do not need to be posted, although Kim always posted the notes. The group decided to continue posting staff meeting notes to the website.

II. Bicycle, Pedestrian & Greenway, Advisory Group update:

III. Other

A. Bicycle Friendly Community application: No word yet on award level.

B. Intercity bridge discussion: Stephanie offered the opportunity for a representative from the group to be included in the discussions about a new intercity bridge. Historically, the group has taken the stance of having no opinion about a bridge location. There are already four bridges located in the Greenway and we would work with whatever decision is made by the policymakers. The group would prefer to be included in designing a new bridge to look at potential recreational opportunities.

IV. Agency updates

A. City of EGF: The LaFave Park project design is now under review by the engineers. Reid expects that the project will go out to bid in about two weeks. This will be a two-year project and most likely won’t start until 2024.

B. GF Park District: Steve is working on some repairs to the concrete at the Sunbeam Trailhead on Belmont Road. The approach to the restrooms was lifted with mud a few years ago but is sinking again. The panels will be replaced.

- C. City of GF:** No report.
- D. Minnesota DNR:** The campground opening has been delayed to May 19 because of flooding. Reservations that were made for earlier in the month had to be cancelled. Reservations will now be made on an app called Yodel instead of online.

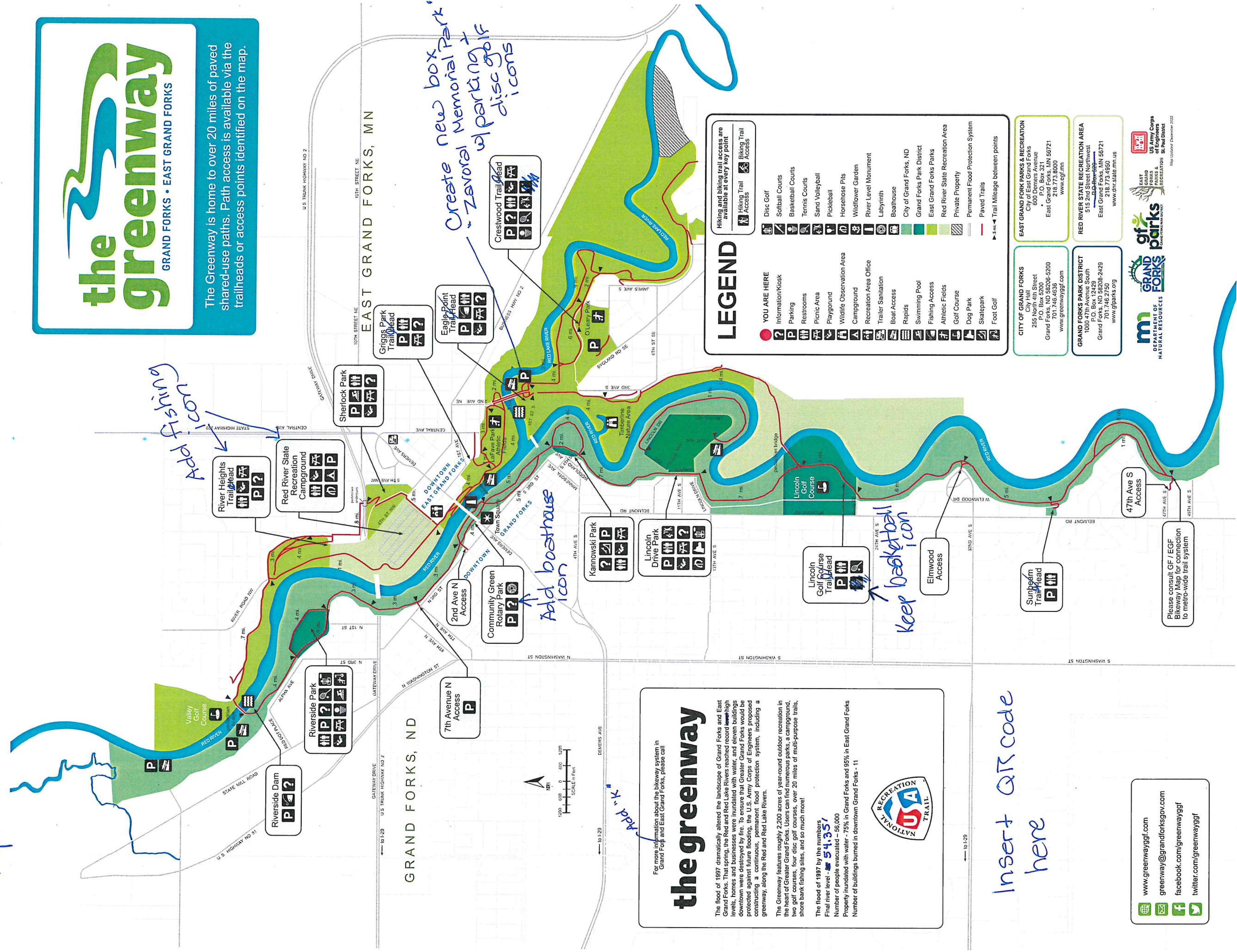
- V.** Next meeting date: Greenway Technical Committee 10 AM Tuesday, May 16, 2023, Icon Sport Center, 1060 47th Ave South, Blue Line Club meeting room.

Support documents: Updated greenway map as of 4/6/2023

4/6/23

Replace "Trail Head" with "Trailhead"

The Greenway is home to over 20 miles of paved shared-use paths. Path access is available via the trailheads or access points identified on the map.



Add Fishing icon

Create new box w/ several Memorial Park w/ parking & disc golf icons

Add boathouse icon

Keep basketball icon

For more information about the bikeway system in Grand Forks and East Grand Forks, please call

the greenway

The flood of 1997 dramatically altered the landscape of Grand Forks and East Grand Forks. That spring, the Red and Red Lake Rivers reached record high levels, homes and businesses were inundated with water, and eleven buildings downtown were destroyed by fire. To ensure that Greater Grand Forks would be protected against future flooding, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers proposed constructing a continuous, permanent flood protection system, including a greenway, along the Red and Red Lake Rivers.

The Greenway features roughly 2,200 acres of year-round outdoor recreation in the heart of Greater Grand Forks. Users can find numerous parks, a campground, two golf courses, four disc golf courses, over 20 miles of multi-purpose trails, shore bank fishing sites, and so much more!

The flood of 1997 by the numbers
 Final river level - **54.35'**
 Number of people evacuated - 66,000
 Property inundated with water - 75% in Grand Forks and 95% in East Grand Forks
 Number of buildings burned in downtown Grand Forks - 11

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- Wildlife Observation Area
- Campground
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- Trailer Sanitation
- Boat Access
- Rapids
- Swimming Pool
- Fishing Access
- Athletic Fields
- Golf Course
- Dog Park
- Skatepark
- Foot Golf

Hiking and biking trail access are available at every key point

- Hiking Trail Access
- Biking Trail Access

- Disc Golf
- Softball Courts
- Basketball Courts
- Tennis Courts
- Sand Volleyball
- Pickleball
- Horsehoose Pits
- Wildflower Garden
- River Level Monument
- Labyrinth
- Boathouse
- City of Grand Forks, ND
- Grand Forks Park District
- East Grand Forks Parks
- Red River State Recreation Area
- Private Property
- Permanent Flood Protection System
- Paved Trails
- 5 mi. Trail Mileage between points

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Map Updated: October 2022

Please consult GF / EGF Bikeway Map for connection to metro-wide trail system