

Greenway & Trail Users Advisory Group (GTUAG)
Meeting Notes
Tuesday, September 13, 2011 - 7:00 PM
GF Park District, 1210 7th Avenue South, Grand Forks, ND

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- I. **Correction to August 9 meeting notes:** Jeff clarified that the GF Police Bike Patrol has not been patrolling the Greenway regularly, as stated in the meeting notes, because they have been short staffed this summer.
- II. **Previous discussion items and updates:**
 - a. **Trail user survey results:** The results of the observational survey were shared with the group. Overall the numbers were good and confirmed that the trails are heavily used. Future surveys may have to be done at random times to be capture the afternoon activity. Some trail users have observed that roller blade traffic and a younger demographic are more predominant in the afternoon. Random survey times would also eliminate some of the repeat traffic caused by anyone doing the loop trail.
- III. **New discussion items:**
 - a. **Trail user etiquette:** Some of the group wondered if this was really an issue. Overall, trail users seem to be respectful but like any other activity, not everyone follows proper etiquette. Would a letter to the editor help enlighten some people? If a letter is written to the editor, it should take a more positive approach about how great it is to have this many trails and how everyone should help make the experience more enjoyable.
- IV. **Other**
 - a. **Summer bike path construction and repairs in GF:** The bike path installation project on South Washington between 47th and 55th Avenues will be done at the end of this month. The path is on the west side of South Washington. Crews have also been working on sealing the expansion joints on some of the paths.
 - b. **Bike trail plan:** This will added to the November agenda.
- V. **Next meeting date: 7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at the Grand Forks Park District, 1210 7th Avenue South**

Attachments: Greenway Trail Users Observational Survey of August 2 & 3, 2011

GREENWAY TRAIL USERS OBSERVATIONAL SURVEY

August 2 & 3, 2011

Survey hours: 6 pm to 8 pm

8/2/2011	Gender		Age						Activity				
	Male	Female	Infant	3 to 12	13 - 18	19 - 40	41-60	60+	Walking	Biking	Running	Blading	Other*
Eagles Point	47	42	1	10	23	39	14	2	6	61	10	11	1
So Ped Bridge	84	64	5	17	17	80	17	12	23	107	8	10	0
Riverside Dam	44	37	3	4	11	54	8	2	10	62	3	7	1
7th Avenue North	65	57	4	14	4	66	33	1	27	67	13	10	2
	240	200	13	45	55	239	72	17	66	297	34	38	4
8/3/2011													
Eagles Point	32	18	1	2	16	18	11	2	7	33	7	2	1
So Ped Bridge	74	47	5	11	10	68	22	4	9	102	7	3	1
Riverside Dam	41	29	3	5	10	43	12	0	22	37	3	3	6
7th Avenue North	65	57	4	14	4	66	33	1	27	67	13	10	2
	212	151	13	32	40	195	78	7	65	239	30	18	10
GRAND TOTAL	452	351	26	77	95	434	150	24	131	536	64	56	14

Total users 803

Highest use by age group

19 -40 434
 41 - 60 150
 3 to 12 77
 Infant 26
 60+ 24

*Other includes children in strollers and pull behind bike trailers

Highest use by activity *trails only

Biking 536
 Walking 131
 Running 64
 Blading 56
 Other 18