



# RADTIP

## River Arts District Transportation Improvement Project

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### 2017 – 2020

Final designs complete  
Construction begins

### 2016

July 5: Right of Way staking begins in the RADTIP area  
Late Summer: Tree clearing, grubbing and utility relocation begin  
Fall: Demolition for roadway construction begins, and contract advertisement begins

### 2015

Public meeting to present Right of Way plans  
September 24 Work continues on final design.  
Begin Right of Way Acquisition

### 2014

City Awarded Tiger VI funding for construction of RADTIP.  
Consultant hired to develop construction plans.

### 2013

City Council allocates CIP funds to complete final design. Preliminary Design completed  
Environmental Document Approved by Federal Government.  
2012 Preferred Alternative Selected.

### 2010 – 2012

2 year process to complete Environmental Study and preliminary design\*  
\* The City of Asheville held over 80 public and small group meetings during the two-year study period

## What's happening now?

The final design for the project is complete. The project is transitioning from the planning phase to pre-construction activities such as utility and survey work. Expect to see workers on the ground! The RADTIP Public Art masterplan is finished (check out the map below).

## Background

This project will construct a 2.2 mile piece of the Wilma Dykeman Riverway, a planned 17-mile multi-modal corridor in Asheville along the French Broad and Swannanoa Rivers. In addition to improved intersections and bridge reconstruction, the project includes roadway improvements, sidewalks, bike lanes, greenways, on-street parking, and stormwater improvements along Lyman Street and Riverside Drive adjacent to the French Broad River. The project will improve the horizontal and vertical clearance at the Norfolk Southern Railroad bridge, accommodate truck turning movements at the intersection of Craven street and Riverside Drive and improve three railroad crossings in the area.

The estimated cost for purchasing right of way and construction is \$37 million. In April 2014, the City submitted an application to Federal Highway Administration to fund six interconnected transportation projects through the TIGER VI Program. In November 2014, the US Secretary of Transportation visited Asheville to announce that Asheville was awarded a 14.6 million dollar federal award to support the development of:

- RADTIP (including Five Points Roundabout)
- The Clingman Forest and Town Branch Greenways
- French Broad River West Greenway
- Livingston Street Complete Street

## Supporting documents and information

[Preliminary Design Drawings 1](#)   [Greenway Alignment Exhibit](#)  
[Preliminary Design Drawings 2](#)   [Draft Workshop Map](#)  
[Wilma Dykeman Riverway Plan](#)   [Streetscape Concepts](#)

[RADTIP Public Art Master Plan](#)

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