

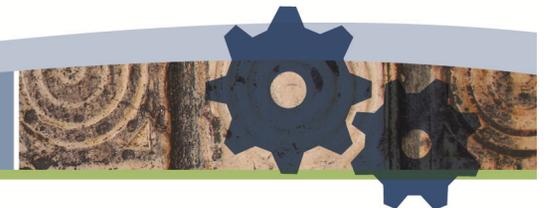
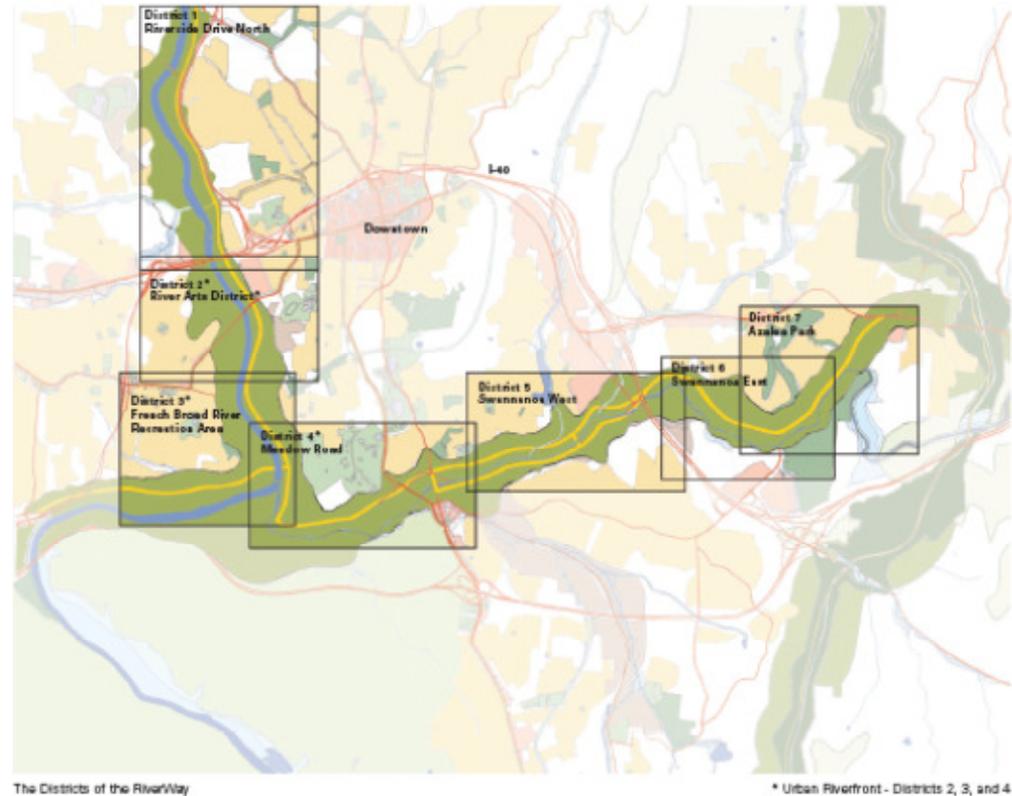
Overview

- Project Overview
- Background, Purpose and Need, and Goals
- Alternatives Considered
- Preferred Alternative
- Current Activities and Next Steps



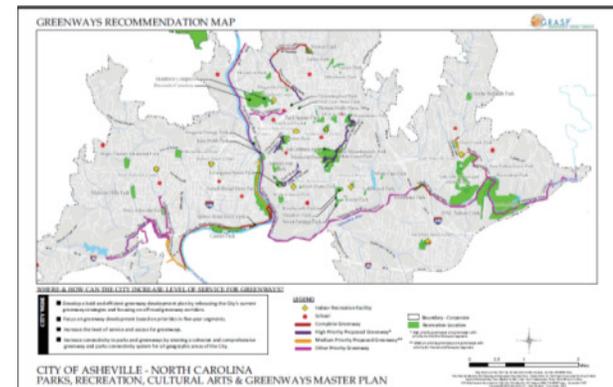
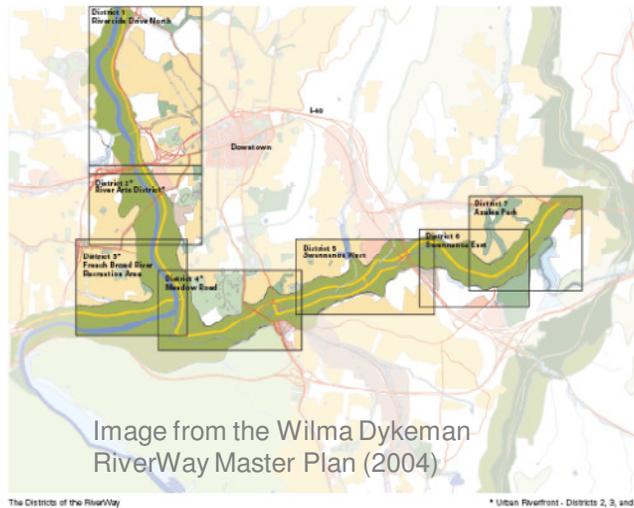
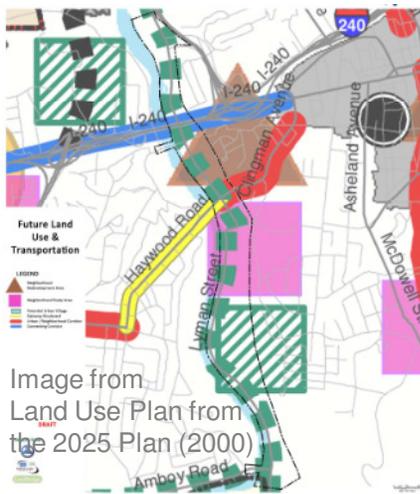
Project Overview: The RiverWay Plan

The Wilma Dykeman RiverWay is a 17 mile corridor along the French Broad and Swannanoa Rivers. The Master Plan consolidates 20 years of planning for the redevelopment of the urban riverfront corridor by RiverLink and was adopted by the City of Asheville.



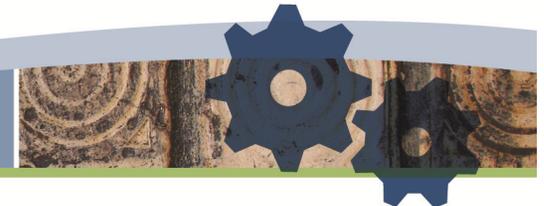
RADTIP

The RADTIP will implement a portion of the Wilma Dykeman RiverWay Master Plan and other City of Asheville plans for the River Arts District. This project focuses on the two city streets that are part of the Wilma Dykeman Riverway – Lyman Street and a portion of Riverside Drive.



RIVER ARTS DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION PROJECT

A Section of the Wilma Dykeman Riverway



Federally Approved Environmental Assessment

Purpose and Need

-  To improve the existing roadway geometric deficiencies along Riverside Drive and Lyman Street between Amboy Road (SR 3556) and Hill Street (SR 1231); and
-  To enhance the multimodal mobility and system linkages (vehicular, pedestrian, and bicycle) along Lyman Street and Riverside Drive by providing efficient and convenient access from Amboy Road to Hill Street.



Project Goals



Implement previous plans

Create a unique gateway

Connect adjacent neighborhoods

Promote “Smart Growth” principles

Increase multimodal choices

Enhance economic competitiveness & sustainable redevelopment

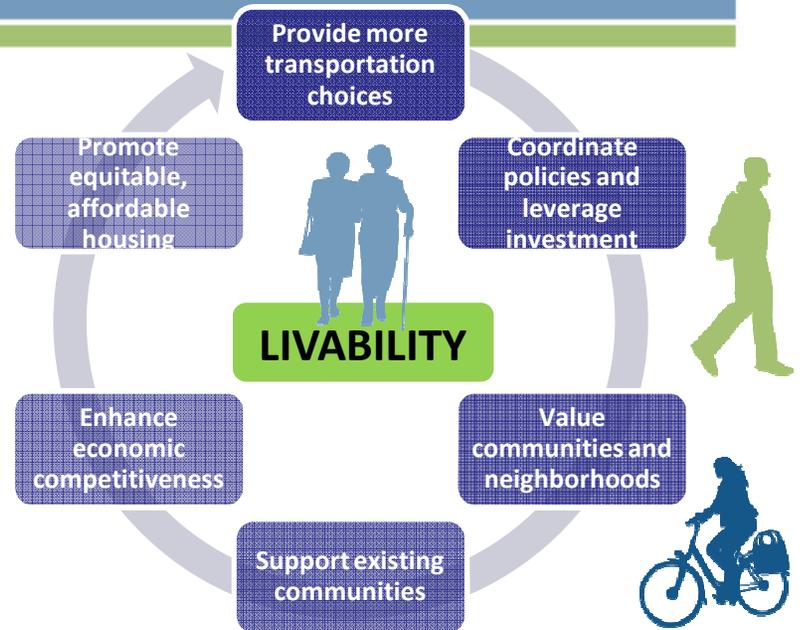
Provide recreational opportunities

Improve environmental protection and water quality

Develop opportunities for streetscapes, amenities, and public art

Minimize conflict points for bicyclists and pedestrians

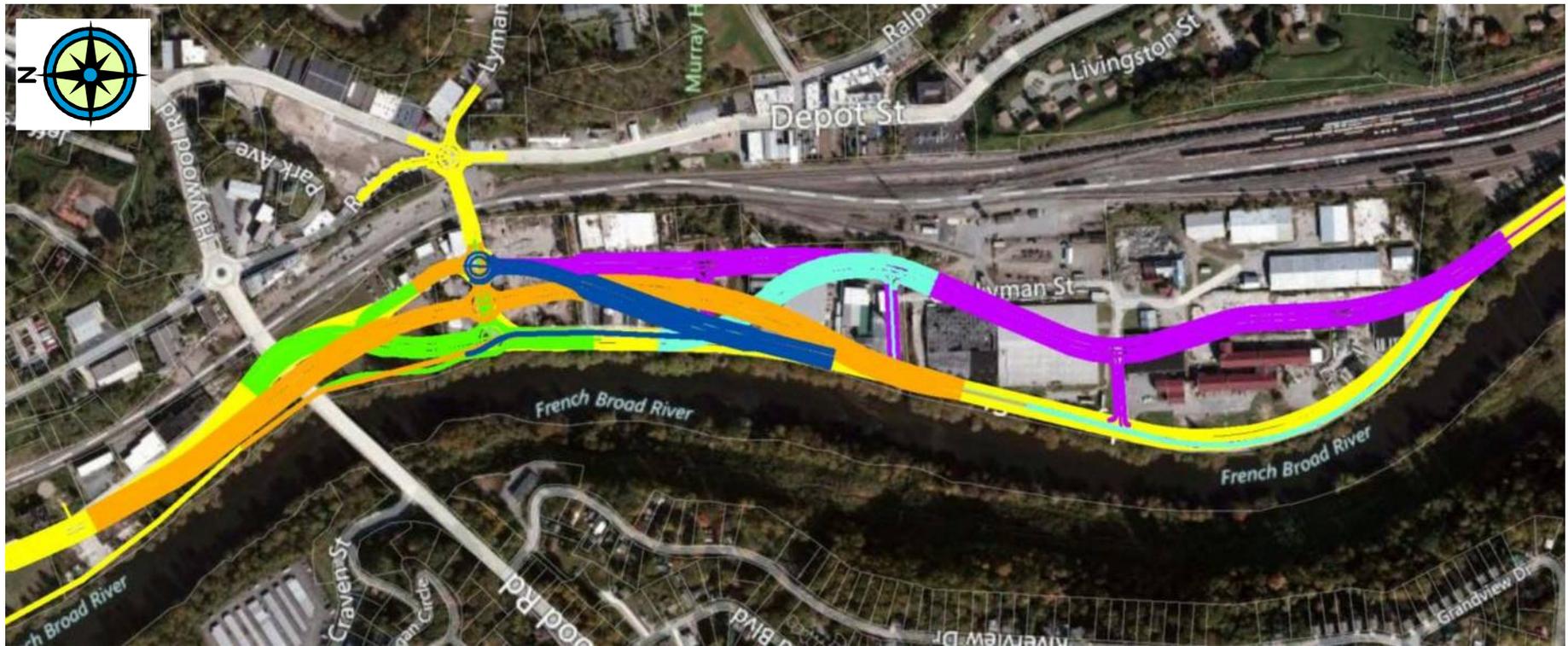
Preserve future mobility through access management



Alternatives Considered

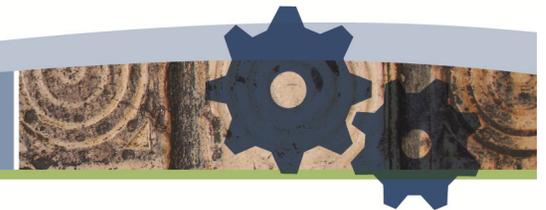


Alternatives Considered (zoom)

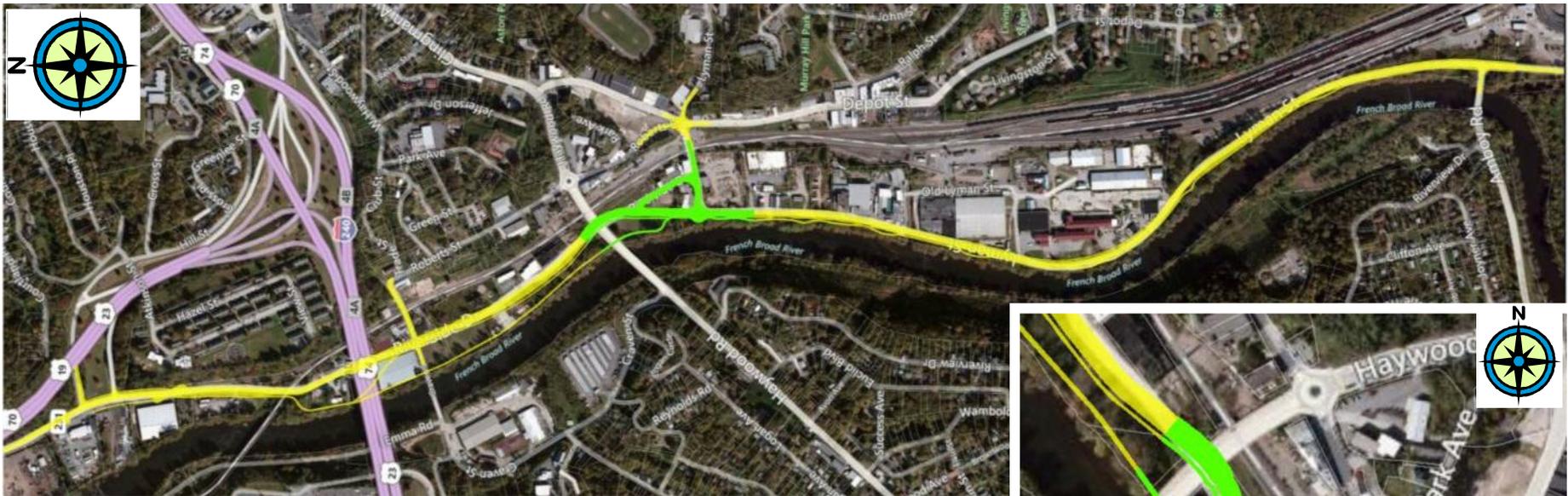


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Preferred Alternative



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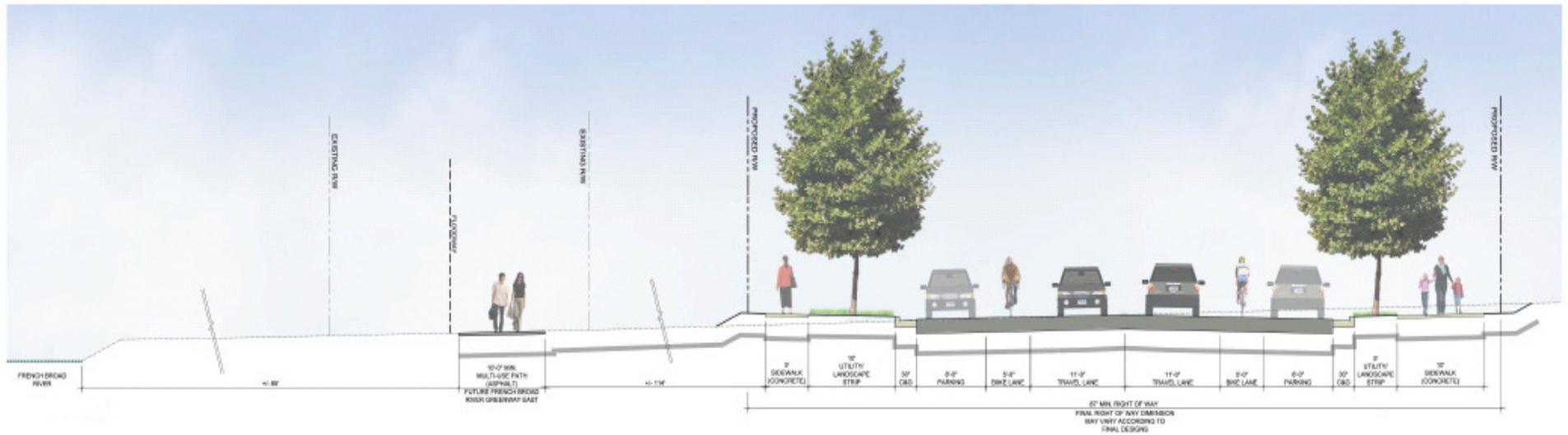
- Public Involvement
- Stakeholder Input
- Environmental Analysis of Impacts,
- Costs, and Benefits

zoom

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Typical Cross Section



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Current Project Activities

- Finalizing Draft Environmental Assessment
- Preparing for Public Hearing
- Finalizing Preliminary Cost Estimates
- Anticipate Federal Environmental Approval by the end of 2012



What's Next?

- City Council Review of Preferred Alternative
- Possible Work Session with the Riverfront Redevelopment Commission
- Move ahead with RFQ for Construction Drawings and Right of Way Plans
- Strategies for Property Acquisition
- Strategies for Regional Partnerships and Construction Funding

