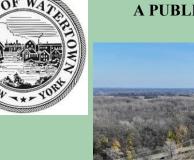
WELCOMES YOU TO A PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING FOR





BLACK RIVER TRAIL WESTERN CONNECTION -FROM FACTORY SQUARE PARK TO HUNTINGTON STREET



This meeting is being held to allow interested parties to review the proposed project preliminary plans in an informal setting. The meeting will consist of an open-house format to provide information and answer questions regarding the project at:

> 6:00 PM to 7:30 P.M. Wednesday January 31st, 2024 at the City Hall Council Chambers 3rd Floor, 245 Washington Street



PROJECT FACT SHEET

Project Description

The proposed project will construct approximately 1.5 miles of multi-use trail, including the conversion of two former railroad bridges to fill in a critical gap within the existing Black River Trail within the City of Watertown. The western terminus of the project begins at Factory Square River Park, where the project will install a short segment of asphalt multi-use trail to link the existing Factory Square River Park trail with the public sidewalk infrastructure along Factory Street. New ADA curb ramps, crosswalks, and pedestrian signals will be introduced at the intersection of Factory Street / Pearl Street and Huntington Street to safely bring trail network users across the intersection. From there, the project will transition to an asphalt multi-use trail and extend east over two former railroad bridges connecting Sewall's Island to Factory Square Park. The project will follow the former New York Central Railroad corridor to connect south to Marble Street and run through Marble Street Park. From Marble Street Park, the Black River Trail continues across the Eastern Boulevard (NYS Route 3) bridge via the existing concrete sidewalk to the eastern terminus of the project at the intersection of Huntington Street and NYS Route 3 where it meets up with the existing Black River Trail network. Striping improvements will also be made at this intersection to increase the shoulder width for bicycle users.

Work Zone Traffic Control

The Contractor will be required to maintain vehicular access to intersecting roads and driveways at all times. Coordination with local businesses, emergency services, schools, and local officials may be necessary. No long term site detours will be required. Routes for emergency vehicles will be maintained and open during construction.

Right-Of-Way

The majority of the proposed work can be accomplished within the existing right-of-way or on property owned by the City of Watertown, however the City also intends to complete a land swap as well as obtain (1) one permanent easement in order to accommodate the proposed trail alignment.

Anticipated Environmental Classification

- NYS Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) Unlisted Action
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Class II Categorical Exclusion
- This project is not anticipated to result in significant environmental impacts.

Anticipated Schedule

Start Construction – Spring 2025 Complete Construction – Fall 2025

Project Construction Cost: \$ 2,526,705

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Correspondence regarding this project should make reference to: PIN 7807.88 Black River Trail Western Connection

> City of Watertown Jefferson County, New York

In the event of inclement weather, a snow date of Wednesday February 7th, 2024 has been identified for the same time and location.



