



AGENDA: YADKIN VALLEY REGIONAL BIKE PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING #3

**NOVEMBER 20, 2019, 2:00-3:30 PM
YADKINVILLE TOWN HALL
213 S VAN BUREN ST, YADKINVILLE, NC 27055**

Purpose: This was third committee meeting for the Yadkin Valley Regional Bicycle Plan. Topics for this meeting included programs, bicycle tourism, and an update on the overall project including draft plan development. Staff from Alta Planning + Design, Wallace Consulting, and Velo Girl Rides (project consultants) presented and facilitated discussion.

In Attendance:

Jen Billstrom	Velo Girl Rides
Matt Burczyk	Winston-Salem DOT
Steve Bzomowski	Alta Planning + Design
Lynn Cochran	Piedmont Triad Regional Council
John Cock	Alta Planning + Design
Phillip Craver	NCDOT Division 9
Jesse Day	Piedmont Triad Regional Council
Brianna Haferman	Piedmont Triad Regional Council
Rich Hoffman	Iredell County
Michael Hosey	National Cycling Center
Paul Moore	Davie County
Davey Moxley	Yadkin County
Caleb Poplin	Yadkin County
Dawn Vallieres	Yadkin County
Judi Wallace	Wallace Consulting

The meeting began with a round of introductions followed by a presentation, led by Steve Bzomowski, Judi Wallace, and Jen Billstrom. The meeting concluded with a mapping exercise highlighting sections of regional routes that have high traffic volumes/speed limits.

The powerpoint slides from the presentation are attached at the end of this summary for reference and below are notes from discussion.



NOTES FROM THE PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION

- Programming
 - » Bikeology curriculum - a middle and high school bicycle safety curriculum for physical education teachers and recreation specialists - https://www.shapeamerica.org/publications/resources/teachingtools/qualitytype/bicycle_curriculum.aspx
 - » The League of American Bicyclists (LAB) has a program to educate motorists about driving safely with on-road bicyclists - <https://www.bikeleague.org/content/leagues-bicycle-friendly-driver-training>
 - » Consider adding bicycle lending library the program recommendations - <http://publiclibrariesonline.org/2018/03/bike-check-out-coming-soon-to-a-library-near-you/>
 - » Consider adding Watch for Me NC to the programs section - here is the 2019 awards list (including Winston-Salem) - <https://www.ncdot.gov/news/press-releases/Pages/2019/2019-04-10-watch-for-me-partners.aspx>
 - » Existing bike share program in Winston-Salem:
 - The National Cycling Center has helped to spearhead this effort. Zagster operates the system and has been viewed as successful thus far - <https://usncc.org/ws-bike-share-program/>
 - Partners for Active Living in Spartanburg, utilizing BCycle as another successful operation - <https://www.active-living.org/#>
 - » Evaluation - League of American Bicyclists have a great summary graphic of metrics for each of the 5 “E’s” - <http://bikeleague.org/sites/default/files/BFC%20infographic.pdf>
 - » New Mobility - while not a focus of this project in particular, this is a very relevant topic that is evolving rapidly. See further resources on Alta’s website - <https://altaplanning.com/services/new-mobility/>; and here - <https://altaplanning.com/resources/rise-micro-mobility-copy/>
- Bicycle Tourism
 - » Tourism routes and destinations collected to-date can be viewed at the temporary link here - <https://velogirlrides.com/yadkin-valley-regional-bicycle-tourism-map/>
 - » Several destinations for the map were suggested at the meeting and will be added to the map.
 - » Ride with GPS is the platform that is being utilized - among other features, routes can be downloaded to your phone and can be used to guide you turn by turn (similar to gps for cars such as google maps)
 - » Ride with GPS app – bike touring focused app - “tourism account” can be hosted by local organization (for example, could be hosted on chamber of commerce websites etc)
 - » Consider highlighting connectivity to regional transit such as NC By Train (<https://www.ncbytrain.org/Pages/default.aspx>)
 - Sonoma, CA easy train/bike access was cited as good model to reference - <https://www.sonomacounty.com/articles/discover-sonoma-county-train-and-bike>



- Map comments
 - » General comments
 - NCDOT Complete Streets Policy - recently updated policy eliminates local cost share for bike/ped facilities IF THEY ARE ON AN ADOPTED PLAN - it is essential to feature comprehensive network connectivity in planning documents. Further information on the update can be found here - <https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/Roadway/RoadwayDesignAdministrativeDocuments/CS%20Policy%20Update%20Memo%20Secretary%208.28.19.pdf>
 - NW Piedmont CTP project currently underway
 - Legend - increase size/legibility
- Davie County
 - » Mocksville - S. Salisbury St to US 158 at the new Davie County Community Park - sidewalk project (bridge replacement over railroad tracks in the near term)
- Yadkin County
 - » Consider sidepath along US 21
 - » Existing multi-use soft surface trail at Lake Hampton (3 miles) - Yadkin County has shapefiles (see blog on PLT website - <https://www.piedmonttrails.org/lake-hampton-trails-at-yadkin-memorial-park/>)
 - » Add Lake Hampton and label to water bodies data
 - » Add Wilcox Rd, Ladd Rd, and Crystal Ln to network
 - » Styers Mill Rd - destination
 - » Destinations - Shiloh General Store (Windsor Rd/Shiloh Church Rd); Creamery (Windsor Rd, Crater Rd), Windsor Run Cellars (Windsor Rd just north of Crater Lane)
 - » Existing hiking trail at northern terminus of Law School Rd (Historic Richmond Hill Nature Park)
- Stokes County
 - » Key segment needing improvement - NC 66 between Capella Rd and Mickey Rd at west side of Hanging Rock State Park
 - Consider adding approach to Hanging Rock State Park via west side (from Mountain View Rd - N Friendship Rd, Flat Shoals Rd, Covington Rd, and Capella Rd to NC 66; also consider adding link northeast of Rural Hall - Edwards Rd and Payne Road to S. Friendship Rd)
 - Connect to Rockingham County routes and destinations
- Surry County
 - » Saurtown Trail section east of Pilot Mountain State Park to Old NC 52 is currently closed

NEXT STEPS

- Public Outreach continued
- Draft Plan development and completion (early 2020)

