

Section 4(f)

***De Minimis* Impact**

Documentation

Route/Limits: St. Charles Road
(Monterey Avenue to 390ft west of IL Route 83)

County: DuPage

Project No.: BRM-4003(508)

Prepared By: V3 Companies on behalf of the Village of Villa Park

**Forest Preserve District of DuPage County &
Elmhurst Park District**

Salt Creek Greenway Trail



DRAFT September 2016

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1. Project Description

- a. Project Number: BRM-4003(508) / Job # P-91-313-15
- b. Project Name: St. Charles Road Bridge Improvements Over Salt Creek
- c. Project Termini: Monterey Avenue to 390 ft west of IL Route 83
See Exhibit 1 in Appendix A for Location Map.
- d. Project Type: The proposed improvements include minor widening of the roadway to accommodate five lanes at 11 ft wide and the replacement of the superstructure. Approximately ten to fifteen feet of the top of the wingwalls will be replaced at all four corners to accommodate the widening. The superstructure will be replaced with 17" deep PPC Deck beams and a 5" concrete wearing surface and results in raising the profile by approximately 3 inches. The sidewalk and the parapet will cantilever 6" off of the proposed new deck beams.
- e. Project Length: St. Charles Road – 360 ft (0.07 mile)
- f. NEPA Class of Action: Categorical Exclusion, Group II.
- g. Purpose and Need Summary: The existing bridge has been determined by IDOT to be deficient and in need of repair. The bridge has been weight-limit posted by the Village of Villa Park. The purpose of this project is to improve and repair the bridge to address maintenance concerns. In addition, the improvements will also include minor widening of the roadway to accommodate five 11 foot wide lanes.
- h. Project Status: On behalf of the Village of Villa Park, V3 Companies is the engineering consultant currently completing the preliminary engineering and environmental study (Phase I). Phase I design approval is anticipated for April 2017. Phase I funding was approved under the Surface Transportation Program – Bridge (STP-BR) FY 2015, with the Village of Villa Park responsible for 20 percent of the costs. The remainder of the engineering (Phase II) and construction costs (Phase III) are approved, but subject to the availability of funding during future fiscal years. The Village anticipates to fund 20 percent of the costs for Phase II and Phase III (subject to funding approval).

2. Section 4(f) Resources

- a. Resource Type: Salt Creek Greenway Trail
- b. Name of Resource: Salt Creek Greenway Trail. See Exhibits 2 and 3, Appendix A for Site Map and Photos Resource, respectively.
- c. Official with Jurisdiction: The Forest Preserve District of DuPage County (FPDDC) entered an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Elmhurst Park District (EPD) to authorize EPD to maintain the trail. FPDDC is the owner of the property north of St. Charles Road. The property south of St. Charles Road is owned by IDOT.
- d. Description of Role/Significance in the Community: The Salt Creek Greenway (SCG) Trail is a nearly 25 mile-long, regional pedestrian/bicycle trail that extends

from Busse Forest in Elk Grove Village to the Brookfield Zoo in Brookfield through 12 communities with a combined population of 300,000 residents. It serves as a key link in the development of a 210-mile integrated trail network in northeast Illinois that includes the Illinois Prairie Path and the Great Western Trail, among others. It also provides connections throughout the region to recreational and cultural facilities, destinations, shopping and commercial facilities, employment and economic centers and mass transit hubs. At the intersection of the SCG trail with St. Charles Road, the trail crosses beneath the St. Charles Road Bridge that also spans Salt Creek.

3. Description of Intended Section 4(f) Resource Use

- a. Acre to be Impacted: 1,886.4 sf (0.04 acres) of the Salt Creek Greenway Trail bike path will be impacted. See Exhibit 4 under Appendix A.
 - A total of 8,712 sf (0.20 acres) of temporary easement from five properties is necessary for construction of the St. Charles Road Bridge superstructure. Of the five properties, the property owner located at the southwest quadrant of the bridge is unknown at this time.
 - Since IDOT owns the property southeast of the bridge, temporary easement acquisition is not necessary. Instead, the anticipate area necessary to construct the bridge improvements (2,249 sf) is identified as “Limits of Construction”.
- b. Type of Impact: Temporary easement.
- c. Existing Function of Impacted Acres: The area impacted is a part of an existing bike trail underneath the St. Charles Road bridge. A bike detour will re-route bicyclists and pedestrians to Villa Avenue avoid crossing through the work zone. Reference Exhibit 6 for the Trail Detour Memorandum under Appendix A.
- d. Relation of impacted areas to Section 4(f) function and significance of resource: The 4(f) property functions as a recreational area. The bike detour will allow for bicyclists and pedestrians to continue along the SCG trail during construction.
- e. Resulting function of impacted areas: The temporary easement is necessary to construct the bridge improvements. Any impacts to the bike trail will be replaced in-kind after construction. After project completion, the bike trail will remain within EPD’s maintenance.

4. Description of Efforts to Avoid, Minimize, and Mitigate or Enhance the Resource

- a. Avoidance and minimization efforts made and benefits to resource: It is unlikely to avoid obtaining temporary easement from the FPDDC for constructability purposes of the bridge superstructure replacement. Extensive effort was made to closely coordinate with the EPD, FPDDC, IDOT, and the public regarding the proposed trail detour route to minimize adverse travel for patrons. The preferred route

provides the best balance of safety and continued access to the SCG trail.

- b. Commitments for mitigation or enhancement: Any impacts to the bike trail, landscaping, and/or trees because of construction will be replaced. A commitment will be added for the project to include the EPD/FPDDC in the contract plan preparation and land acquisition phase (Phase II) to determine appropriate locations for replacement.

5. Evidence of Opportunity for Public Review and Comment: - See Appendix C

- a. Type of public availability (internet postings, public meetings, mailers): The proposed improvement exhibits and Section 4(f) document will be available for public viewing at the Village of Villa Park Public Works Department (20 S. Ardmore Ave., Villa Park, IL 60181) and the Elmhurst Park District (375 W. First St., Elmhurst, IL 60126) from October 14, 2016 to November 11, 2016. The availability for viewing was advertised in the Daily Herald on October 7, 2016 and **Date2**, as well as in letters to the following public officials: League of Illinois Bicyclists, Illinois Department of Natural Resources (Office of Planning and Realty), Trails for Illinois, Active Transportation Alliance, DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference, and the City of Elmhurst.
- b. Date of action: TBD
- c. Summary of comments: The public comment period was from October 14, 2016 to November 11, 2016. Comments from the public are included in Appendix C. **Comments included the following**:
- d. Notification of OWJ of public availability and summary of comments: The transmittal of the proposed improvement exhibits and Section 4(f) documentation for public viewing and comment, and the letter notifying the FPDDC and EPD is included in Appendix C.

6. Evidence of Coordination with Official(s) with Jurisdiction (OWJ) – See Appendix B

- a. Meeting minutes and agendas:
 - Not applicable at this time.
- b. Correspondence:
 - September 1, 2016 – A letter from V3 (Villa Park) to FPDDC and EPD requesting their input on the proposed improvements and trail detour.
 - September 2, 2016 – Phone Record between EPD and V3 (Villa Park) with comments regarding trail detour.
 - September 7, 2016 – A letter from FPDDC provided comments to V3 (Villa Park) regarding the trail detour.
- c. OWJ written concurrence with a No Adverse Effect Determination:
 - A letter dated October 5, 2016 from V3 (Villa Park) to FPDDC and EPD

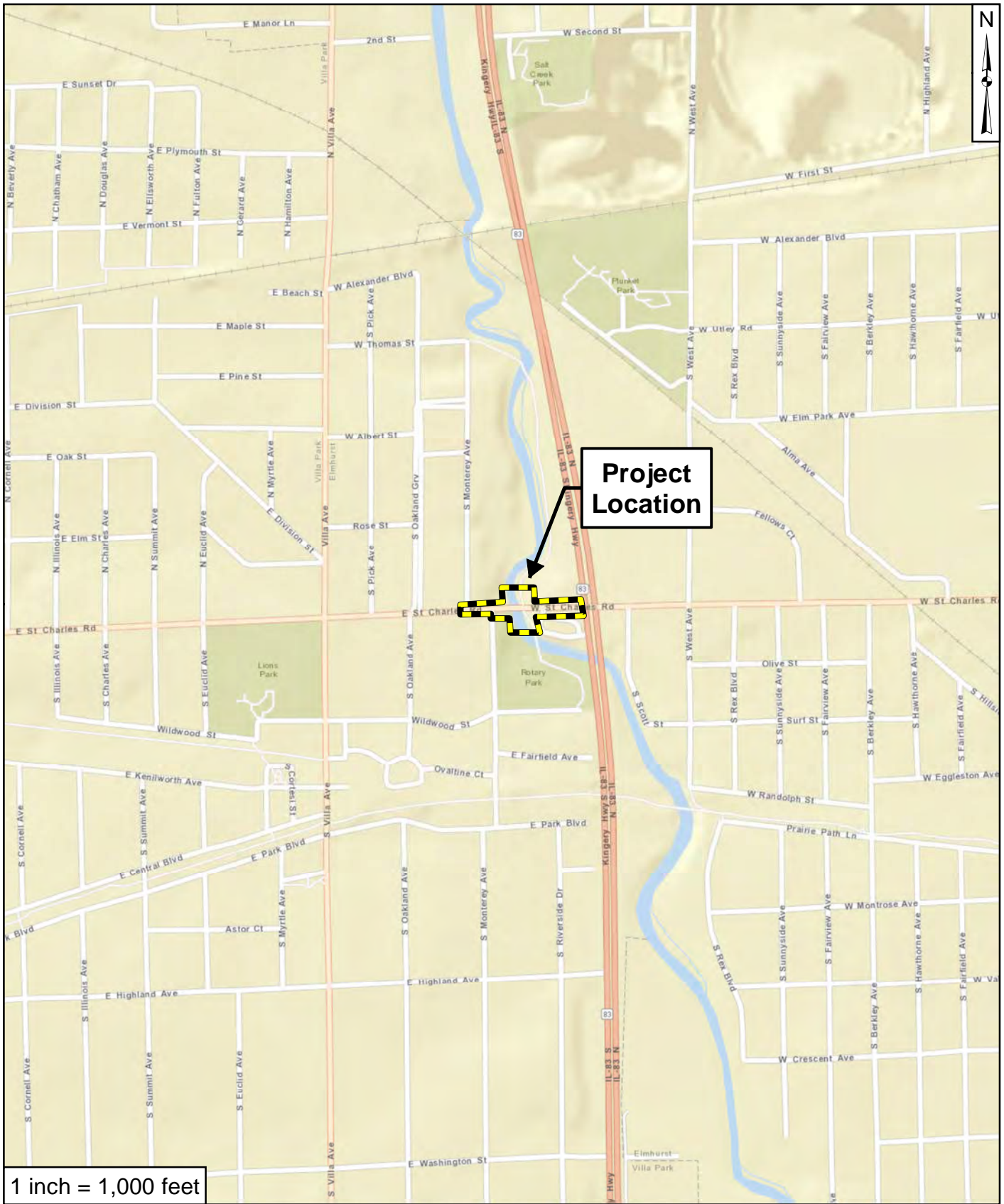
requesting concurrence with a No Adverse Effect Determination was signed by both agencies on **Date**.

7. Supporting Documentation – See Appendix A


- a.** Map of project area indicating relationship of project to resource:
 - ♦ Exhibit 1: Location Map
- b.** Salt Creek Greenway Trail
 - ♦ Exhibit 2: Site Map
- c.** Supporting photographs of resource:
 - ♦ Exhibit 3: Photos of Resource
- d.** Acres to be impacted
 - ♦ Exhibit 4: Salt Creek Greenway Trail Temporary Closure Area
- e.** Supporting plan sheets of proposed improvements:
 - ♦ Exhibit 5: Plan & Profile Sheet
- f.** V3/Villa Park to IDOT Memorandum
 - ♦ Exhibit 6: Re: Salt Creek Greenway Trail Detour

Supporting Documents

Appendix A



1 inch = 1,000 feet

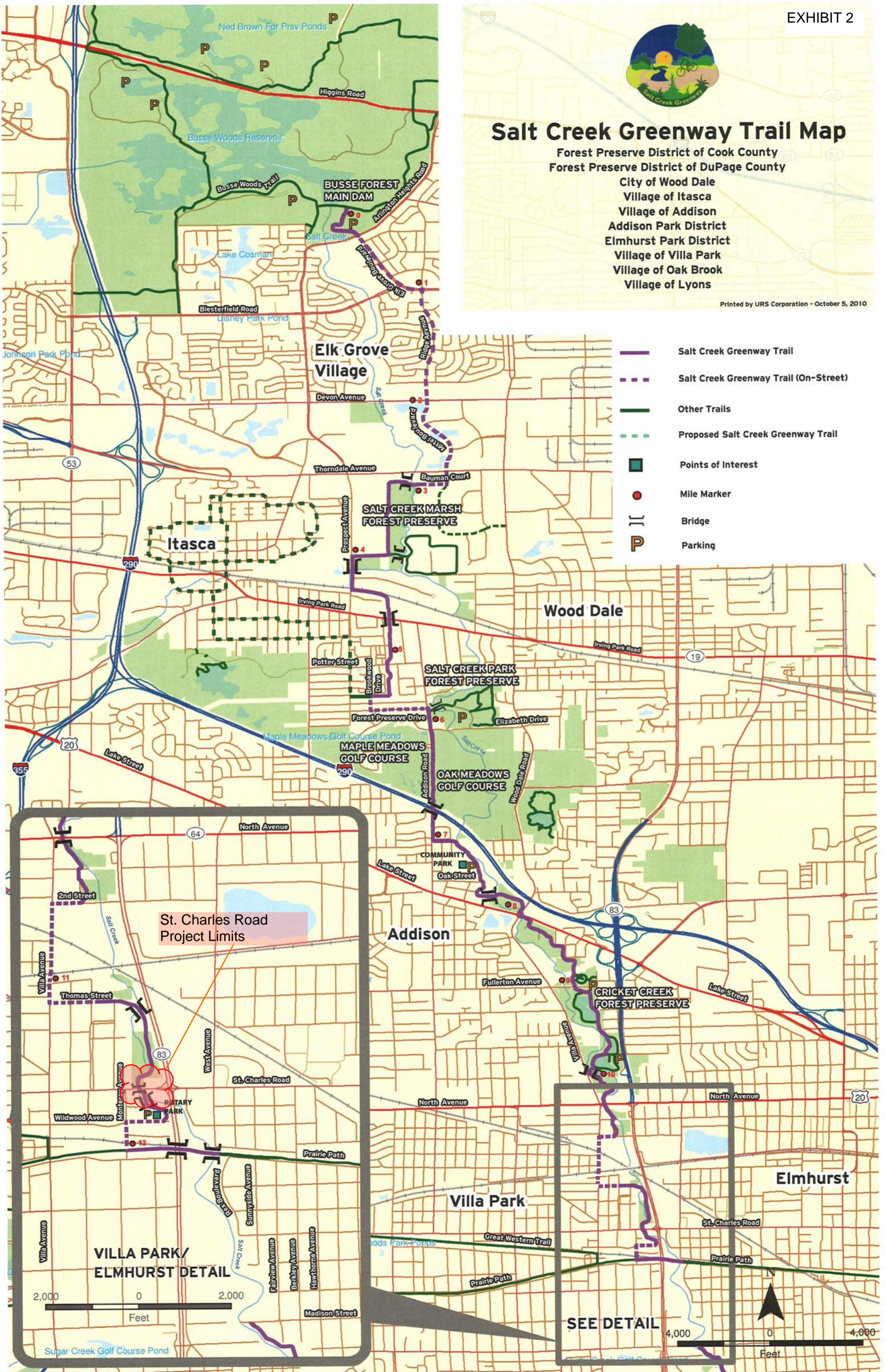
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	<p>CREATED BY: AMM</p>	<p>DATE: 11/05/15</p>	<p>BASE LAYER: ESRI World Street Map</p>	<p>SITE: St. Charles Bridge Over Salt Creek Villa Park, Illinois</p>	<p>EXHIBIT: 1</p>
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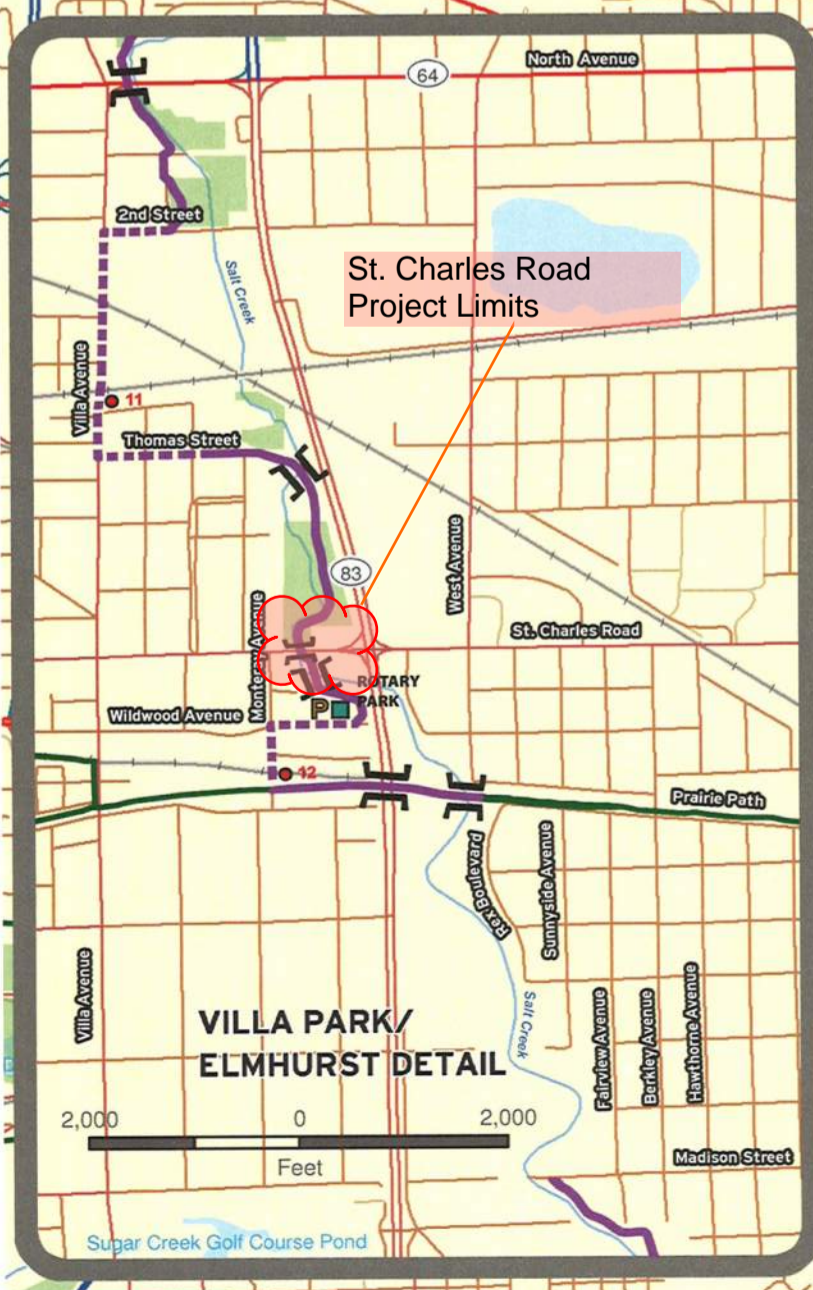
Salt Creek Greenway Trail Map

Forest Preserve District of Cook County
 Forest Preserve District of DuPage County
 City of Wood Dale
 Village of Itasca
 Village of Addison
 Addison Park District
 Elmhurst Park District
 Village of Villa Park
 Village of Oak Brook
 Village of Lyons

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- Salt Creek Greenway Trail
- Salt Creek Greenway Trail (On-Street)
- Other Trails
- Proposed Salt Creek Greenway Trail
- Points of Interest
- Mile Marker
- Bridge
- Parking



Photos of Resource: Salt Creek Greenway Trail within Project Limits – Taken 11/5/2015



1. At the north sidewalk access to Salt Creek Greenway Trail (facing north).



2. At the north sidewalk access to Salt Creek Greenway Trail (facing north).



3. Where the north sidewalk intersects Salt Creek Greenway Trail (facing south).



4. At the north sidewalk access to Salt Creek Greenway Trail (facing southwest).



5. On the south side of St. Charles Road, facing east.



6. At the south sidewalk access to Salt Creek Greenway Trail (facing south).



7. On the sidewalk, facing northwest.



8. On the sidewalk, facing north.



9. Where the sidewalk intersects Salt Creek Greenway Trail (facing north).



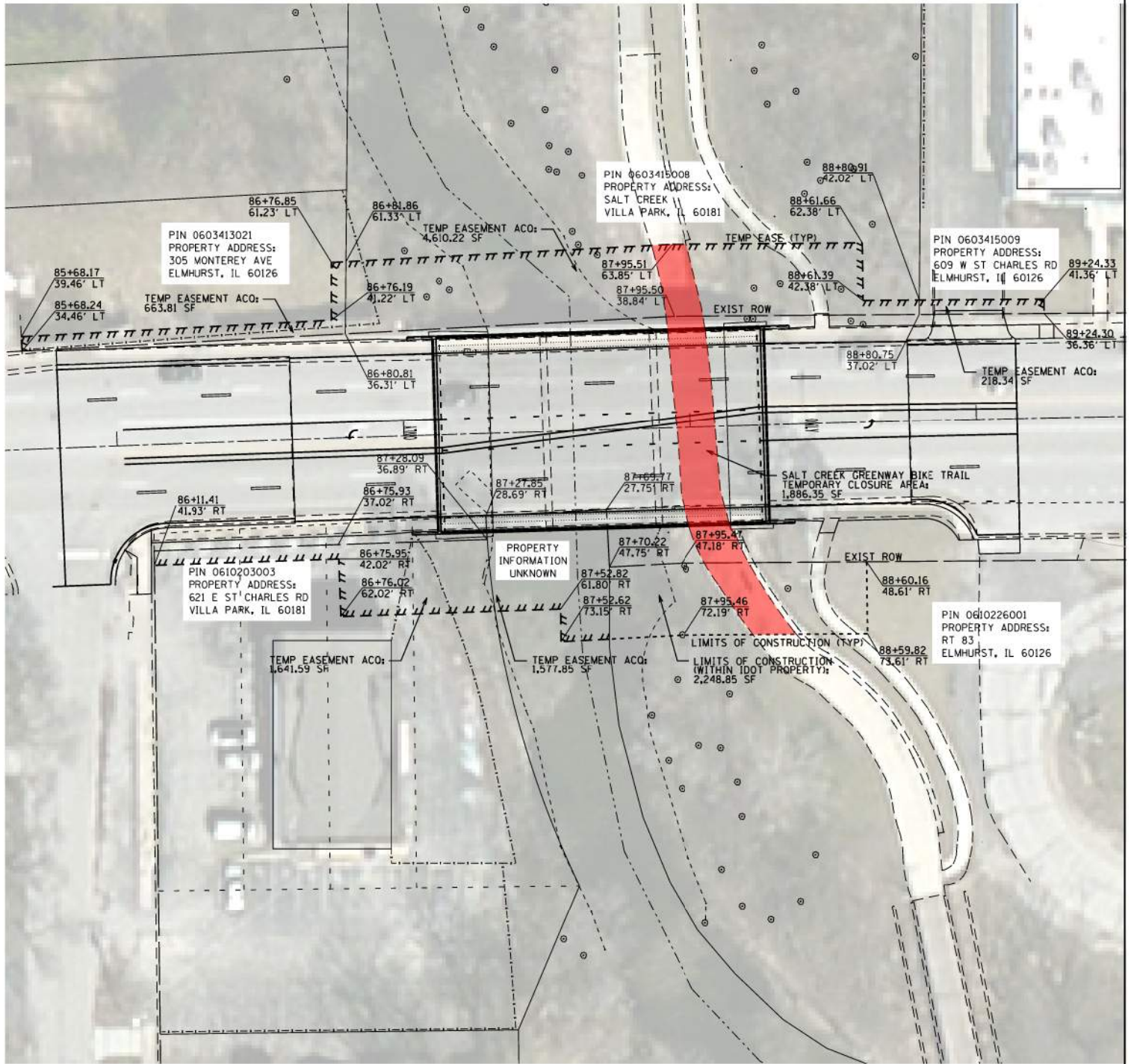
10. Salt Creek Greenway Trail south of St. Charles Bridge (facing north).



11. Salt Creek Greenway Trail south of St. Charles Bridge (facing northeast).

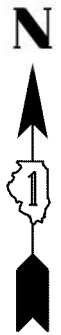



12. Salt Creek Greenway Trail south of St. Charles Bridge (facing north).



NOTE

- TEMPORARY EASEMENT AREA IS BETWEEN EXISTING ROW AND PROPOSED TEMPORARY EASEMENT LIMITS.



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	PLOT SCALE : 5/8"=100'	DRAWN - EIH	REVISED -			EXHIBIT 4		
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		DATE - 09/26/16	REVISED -					



MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 24, 2016 [Revision Date: September 26, 2016]

TO: Marilyn Solomon, IDOT

FROM: Elora Hsu, V3 Companies

CC: Suleyman Tugar, IDOT
Jeremie Lukowicz, Village of Villa Park
Vydas Juskelis, Village of Villa Park
George Schober, V3 Companies

RE: St. Charles Road Bridge (FAU 1397) Over Salt Creek
Section No.: 15-00094-00-BR
Job No. : P-91-313-15
Project Number: BRM-4003(508)
Structure No: 022-6950
Salt Creek Greenway Trail Detour Alternatives

The Salt Creek Greenway (SCG) Trail is a nearly 25 mile-long, regional pedestrian/bicycle trail that extends from Busse Forest in Elk Grove Village to the Brookfield Zoo in Brookfield through 12 communities with a combined population of 300,000 residents. It serves as a key link in the development of a 210-mile integrated trail network in northeast Illinois that includes the Illinois Prairie Path and the Great Western Trail, among others. It also provides connections throughout the region to recreational and cultural facilities, destinations, shopping and commercial facilities, employment and economic centers and mass transit hubs. At the intersection of the SCG trail with St Charles Road, the trail crosses beneath the St Charles Road Bridge that also spans Salt Creek. Since the bridge superstructure will need to be reconstructed as part of the bridge rehabilitation project, pedestrians and cyclists will not be allowed to cross beneath the bridge during construction. We recommend that pedestrians and cyclists be detoured for the duration of the proposed construction.

As a result of the discussion at the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) meeting held on March 15, 2016, we evaluated two detour alternatives for the SCG trail (see attached exhibit). Below is a summary of the advantages and disadvantages for each of the alternatives:

Alternative 1: On-Street SCG Trail Detour

The existing SCG trail north and south of the bridge eventually connects to the on-street route at Thomas Street/Villa Avenue and the existing off-street Illinois Prairie Path, which intersects at Villa Avenue, respectively. Under Alternative 1, the trail users would utilize Villa Avenue (shown in orange on the attached exhibit).

Villa Avenue is a minor arterial with a 25 mile per hour speed limit. North and south of St. Charles Road, Villa Avenue is a three-lane and two-lane street, respectively, that eventually widens to allow additional turn lanes at the signalized intersection with St. Charles Road. IDOT traffic counts from 2012 indicate that Villa Avenue has an AADT of 7,100 vehicles per day to the north of St. Charles Road, and 2,700 vehicles per day to the south. Sidewalk and crosswalk facilities are located along both sides of Villa Avenue for the length of the detour route.

Advantages:

1. Safety – The detour keeps trail users further away from the bridge construction and is anticipated to remain the same route throughout the length of construction.
2. Capacity – Villa Avenue is a minor arterial with relatively low traffic.
3. Safety – Since sections of existing trails are included within the proposed detour, the trail users' familiarity of the routes will provide comfort and avoid confusion.
4. Impacts (Zero/Minimal) – The detour length is similar to the existing trail length with minimal adverse travel distance.

Disadvantages:

1. Safety – The length of the dedicated bicycle/pedestrian trail is temporary replaced by on-street path and sidewalk.

Alternative 2: Existing Pedestrian Ramp as SCG Trail Detour

Under Alternative 2, the trail detour begins where the bike trail and pedestrian ramp diverge north and south of the St. Charles Road bridge (shown in green on the attached exhibit). Trail users will be directed to utilize the existing pedestrian ramps that lead to the sidewalks extending east and west along St Charles Road and a temporary crosswalk will be established across St. Charles Road. The Contractor would be responsible for maintaining and providing temporary ADA compliant crossings for the duration of the proposed construction. This temporary crosswalk will have to be modified during construction to accommodate the two-stage bridge construction.

Advantages:

1. Safety – Trail Users' familiarity of route can provide comfort and avoid confusion.
2. Impacts (Zero/Minimal) – The detour length is similar to the existing trail length with minimal adverse travel distance.

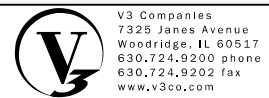
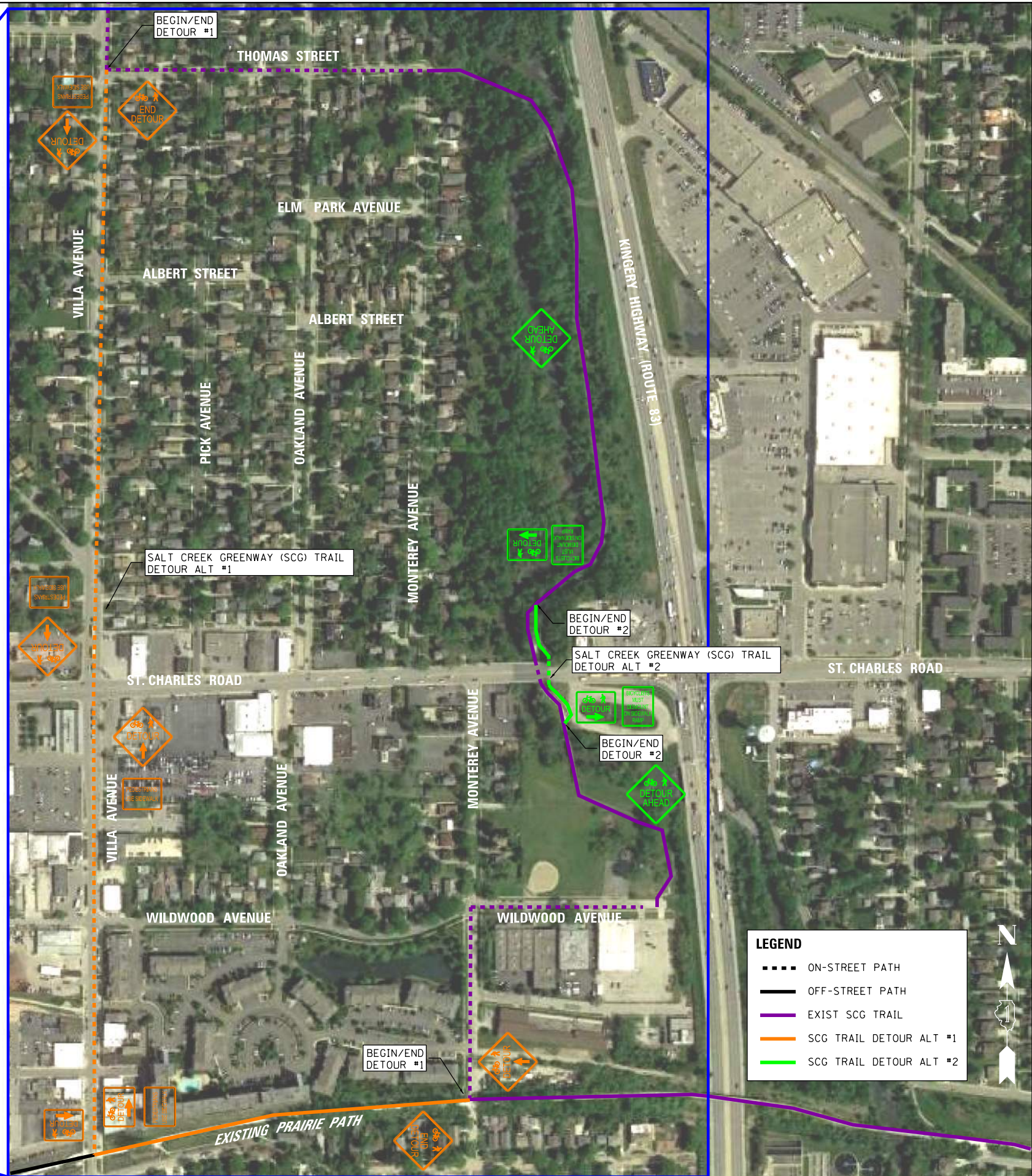
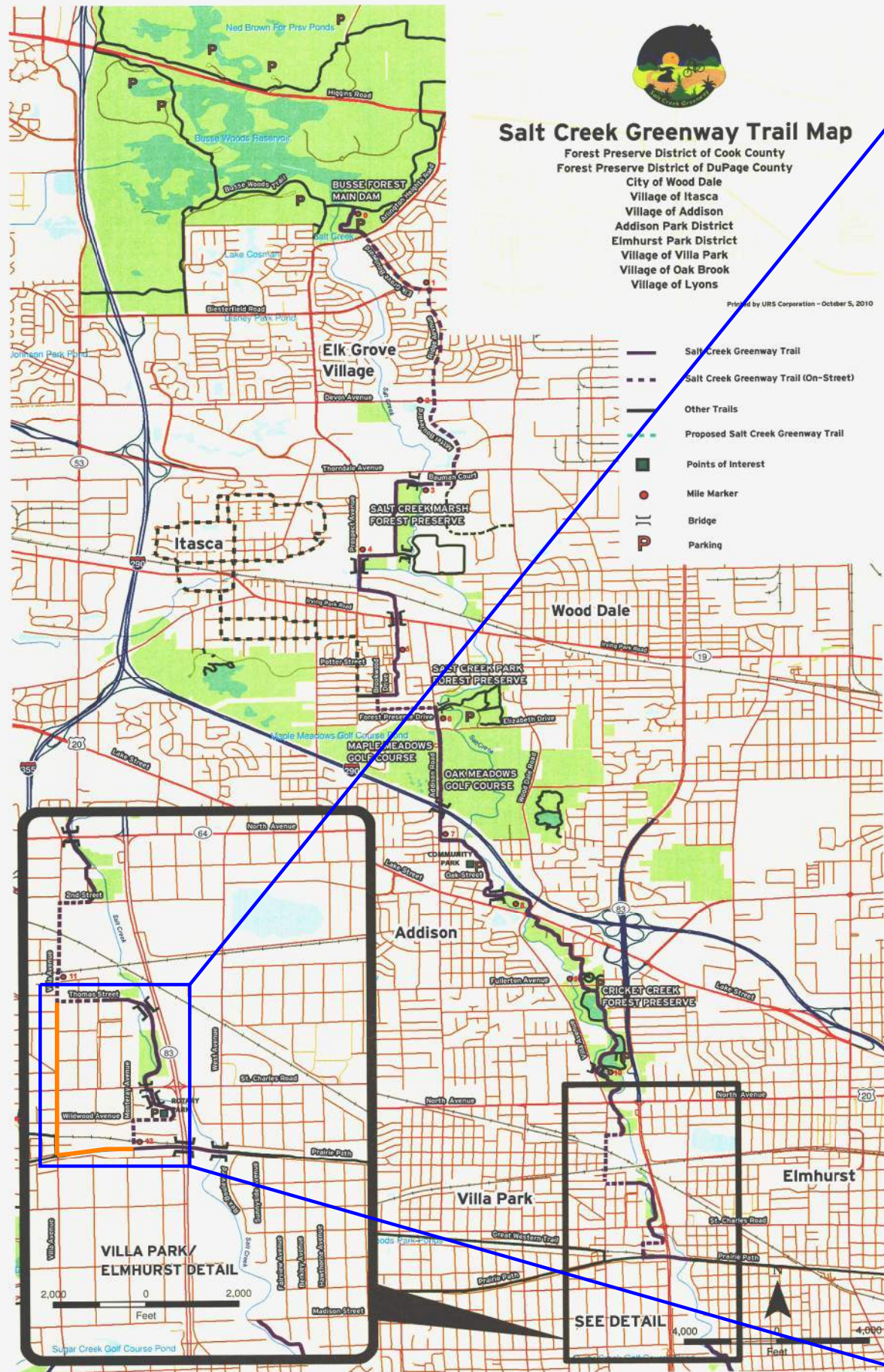
Disadvantages:

1. Safety – The detour is located within the work zone area and significantly increases safety concerns.
2. Safety – The mid-block crossing for both pedestrians and bicyclists is not ideal for trail users and vehicular traffic.
3. Impacts (Significant) – Modifications to the detour will be required to accommodate staged construction of the superstructure.

Recommendation

Based on the evaluation of the two alternatives, we recommend Alternative 1 as it provides the best balance between safety and access to the Salt Creek Greenway Trail. Alternative 2 presents safety concerns for trail users during construction because the route is within the work zone area.

Please provide your recommendation or concurrence on a preferred alternative to help advance the project.



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STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ST. CHARLES ROAD BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS
SALT CREEK GREENWAY TRAIL BIKE DETOUR EXHIBIT

SCALE: NTS SHEET 1 OF 1 SHEETS

F.A. RTE.	SECTION	COUNTY	TOTAL SHEETS	SHEET NO.
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PROJECT: BRM-4003(508); JOB: P-91-313-15				
ILLINOIS FED. AID PROJECT				

Evidence of Coordination with Official(s) with Jurisdiction (OWJ)

Appendix B

- i. Meeting Minutes
- ii. Correspondence
- iii. OWJ Written Concurrence

i. Meeting Minutes and Agenda

NO DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME.

ii. Correspondence



September 1, 2016

Michael Hullihan, P.E.
Executive Director
Forest Preserve District of DuPage County
3 S 580 Naperville Road
Wheaton, IL 60189

Re: St. Charles Road Bridge Improvements Over Salt Creek Greenway Trail

Dear Mr. Hullihan:

We are contacting you on behalf of the Village of Villa Park regarding the preliminary engineering studies for the subject project. V3 Companies is the Village's engineering consultant conducting a preliminary engineering and environmental study (Phase I) for the St. Charles Road Bridge improvements over Salt Creek.

The existing bridge has been determined by IDOT to be deficient and has been weight-limit posted by the Village of Villa Park. The purpose of this project is to improve and repair the bridge to address maintenance concerns. The proposed improvements include minor widening of the roadway to accommodate five lanes at 11 ft wide and the replacement of the bridge superstructure. Approximately 5-10 ft of the top of the wingwalls will be replaced at all four corners to accommodate the widening. The superstructure will be replaced and include a new sidewalk and parapet. In addition, scour countermeasures will be implemented within salt creek at the bridge piers.

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September 1, 2016

Forest Preserve District of DuPage County

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This letter serves to solicit your input regarding the proposed bike detour prior to advertising for public input. Once the public input period is close, with comments evaluated and considered, V3 will ultimately request a letter of consent regarding the improvements and bike detour from the Forest Preserve and Park District.

We anticipate completing the preliminary engineering studies by the beginning of 2017. Final engineering, the development of bidding documents and land acquisition (Phase II) are anticipated to begin by Spring 2017.

Please contact me at (630) 729-6172 or gschober@v3co.com if you would like to discuss the details of this project or schedule a meeting.

Sincerely,
V3 COMPANIES OF ILLINOIS, LTD.



George J. Schober, P.E.
Senior Project Manager

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Enclosure
MM15228 SCGT Detour Memo
cc: V3 File, Villa Park



September 1, 2016

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Executive Director
Elmhurst Park District
375 W. First St.
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Enclosure
MM15228 SCGT Detour Memo
cc: V3 File, Villa Park

George Schober

Subject: James W. Rogers
Entry Type: Phone call
Company: Elmhurst Park District

Start: Fri 9/2/2016 2:53 PM
End: Fri 9/2/2016 3:03 PM
Duration: 10 minutes

Contacts: James W. Rogers
Categories: Engineering-Clients

Jim Rogers returned my earlier call.

He has the following comments regarding the proposed detour route for the St Charles Road Bridge Rehabilitation project.

He did not like the idea of an at grade pedestrian crossing of St. Charles Road within the construction site or anywhere else for that matter. He was concerned because the users of the facility are not used to crossing St. Charles at they are always very aware of their surroundings and traffic.

Jim recommended that both pedestrian and bike traffic be routed along Villa Avenue from the intersection of the Great Western trail and the on street connection between the Great Western trail and the Illinois Prairie Path to the on-street portion of the Prairie Path at the intersection of Thomas Street and Villa Avenue. This detour route will have very little adverse travel distance to anyone using the trail with destinations north or south of the detour route. Only the residents within the neighborhood bounded by Villa Avenue, Wildwood Avenue, Thomas Street and Monterey Avenue would be impacted.

Note that Villa Avenue has sidewalks along both sides for the road for the entire detour distance and the road could easily be signed as a shared use street within this segment of Villa Avenue as it is at the proposed north and south detour termini. In addition, the signalized and stop controlled intersections within the detour limits have stripped cross walks.



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of DuPage County**

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September 7, 2016

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V3 Companies of Illinois
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Woodridge, IL 60517

Re: St. Charles Road Bridge Improvements over Salt Creek Greenway Trail
Salt Creek Greenway
Project No. Z-100-001

Dear Mr. Schober,

The District received your letter dated September 1, 2016 in which you solicit input regarding the improvements to the St. Charles Road Bridge over Salt Creek in Villa Park. The District has concerns about the trail detour routes you are suggesting which both involve a mid-block crossing of St. Charles Road. Mid-block crossings are never ideal, particularly on major streets such as St. Charles Road. A mid-block crossing in this location could pose a hazard to trail users who be directed to cross a busy 5-lane road at an unsignalized location.

Instead, we suggest providing a trail detour along Villa Avenue which would provide trail users a crossing of St. Charles Road at a signalized intersection. Salt Creek Greenway Trail users could access Villa Avenue from the south at the Illinois Prairie Path and would then meet up with the Salt Creek Greenway Trail at the intersection of Villa Avenue and Thomas Street to continue north along the existing trail alignment.

We also wish to clarify the ownership status of the property along the project limits. In your letter, you state: "It is V3's understanding that the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County (FPDDC) entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Elmhurst Park District (EPD) to transfer the properties along Salt Creek in the vicinity of the St. Charles Road Bridge, to EDP". Actually, the Salt Creek Greenway Trail IGA referenced authorized the Elmhurst Park District to maintain the trail, but ownership of the underlying property did not change. As such, the FPDDC is the owner of the property north of St. Charles Road. The property south of St. Charles Road is owned by IDOT. Any disturbance on FPDDC property should be approved in advance through our License Application Process.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on your improvements. If you have any further questions, please contact Dan Zinnen, Director of Resource Management and Development at (630) 462-8710.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Hullihan".

Michael Hullihan
Executive Director

iii. OWJ Written Concurrence

LETTER OF CONCURRENCE
SECTION 4(F) *DE MINIMIS* IMPACT DOCUMENTATION
Between V3 Companies (on behalf of Villa Park) &
Forest Preserve District of DuPage County

Date: _____

George Schober, P.E.
Senior Project Manager
V3 Companies, Ltd (Representative for the Village of Villa Park)
7325 Janes Avenue
Woodridge, IL 6051

Re: Salt Creek Greenway Trail Temporary Closure and Detour Route

Dear Mr. Schober:

This letter serves to acknowledge that the Salt Creek Greenway Trail users, the Elmhurst Park District, and the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County were solicited for input, with comments considered, regarding the proposed trail detour during construction of the St. Charles Road Bridge improvements over Salt Creek in Villa Park, Illinois.

This letters also serves to provide written concurrence that the temporary closure of the trail is minor in nature and results in no adverse impacts to the activities or features of the park.

Agreed and accepted by:

Signature:

Date:

Michael Hulihan
Executive Director
Forest Preserve District of DuPage County
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LETTER OF CONCURRENCE
SECTION 4(F) *DE MINIMIS* IMPACT DOCUMENTATION
Between V3 Companies (on behalf of Villa Park) &
Elmhurst Park District

Date: _____

George Schober, P.E.
Senior Project Manager
V3 Companies, Ltd (Representative for the Village of Villa Park)
7325 Janes Avenue
Woodridge, IL 6051

Re: Salt Creek Greenway Trail Temporary Closure and Detour Route

Dear Mr. Schober:

This letter serves to acknowledge that the Salt Creek Greenway Trail users, the Elmhurst Park District, and the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County were solicited for input, with comments considered, regarding the proposed trail detour during construction of the St. Charles Road Bridge improvements over Salt Creek in Villa Park, Illinois.

This letters also serves to provide written concurrence that the temporary closure of the trail is minor in nature and results in no adverse impacts to the activities or features of the park.

Agreed and accepted by:

Signature:

Date:

James Roger
Executive Director
Elmhurst Park District
375 W. First Street
Elmhurst, IL 60126

Evidence of Opportunity for Public Review and Comment

Appendix C

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Connie Waggoner	Director	IDNR, Office of Planning & Realty	One Natural Resources Way	Springfield	IL	62702-1271	connie.waggoner@illinois.gov
Steve Buchtel	Executive Director	Trails for Illinois	1639 Burr Oak Road	Homewood	IL	60430	
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Mark A. Baloga	Executive Director	DuPage City Mayors & Managers Conference	1220 Oak Brook Road	Oakbrook	IL	60523	mbaloga@dmmc-cog.org
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October 5, 2016

Ed Barsotti
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2550 Cheshire Drive
Aurora, IL 60504

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Connie Waggoner
Director
IDNR, Office of Planning & Realty
One Natural Resources Way
Springfield, IL 62702-1271

Re: St. Charles Road Bridge Improvements Over Salt Creek Greenway Trail Detour

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Steve Buchtel
Executive Director
Trails for Illinois
1639 Burr Oak Road
Homewood, IL 60430

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Ron Burke
Executive Director
Active Transportation Alliance
9 W. Hubbard Street, Suite 402
Chicago, IL 60654-6545

Re: St. Charles Road Bridge Improvements Over Salt Creek Greenway Trail Detour

Dear Mr. Burke:

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Mark A. Baloga
Executive Director
DuPage City Mayors & Managers Conference
1220 Oak Brook Road
Oakbrook, IL 60523

Re: St. Charles Road Bridge Improvements Over Salt Creek Greenway Trail Detour

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Mayor
City of Elmhurst
209 N. York Street
Elmhurst, IL 60126

Re: St. Charles Road Bridge Improvements Over Salt Creek Greenway Trail Detour

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209 N. York Street
Elmhurst, IL 60126

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P.O. Box 902
Elmhurst, IL 60126

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ii. Summary of Comments

NO DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME.

**iii. Notifications of OWJ of Public
Availability and Summary of Comments**



October 5, 2016

Michael Hulihan, P.E.
Executive Director
Forest Preserve District of DuPage County
3 S 580 Naperville Road
Wheaton, IL 60189

Re: St. Charles Road Bridge Improvements Over Salt Creek Greenway Trail

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Enclosures

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Public Advertisement to Solicit Comments

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Letter of Concurrence

cc: Dan Zinnen, Director of Resource Management and Development (FPDDC)

James Rogers, Executive Director (EPD)

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