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## **Biking & Walking News**

**Ira S. Weiss, Editor**

**March 7, 2010**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FHTA Monthly meeting agenda – March 9, 2010 – 6:00 pm

Pizza Cottage, 2223 W. Fair Ave., Lancaster, OH (Ety Rd. and W. Fair Ave.)
740 / 654-2400; www.pizza-cottage.com

NOTE: AGENDA MAY BE ADJUSTED TO FACILITATE MEETING FLOW

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER**
- 2) **APPROVAL OF February 16, 2010 MEETING MINUTES**
- 3) **REPORTS**
 - a) President's report
 - b) Treasurer's report
- 4) **REPORTS ON/DISCUSSIONS OF ONGOING ITEMS**
 - a) Safe Routes to School
 - b) Lancaster Trail Update
 - c) Johns Trail Update
 - d) Other new trail information
 - e) Signs and educational opportunities on Lancaster Trail
 - f) Trail cleanups
 - g) Dues and memberships
 - h) Other ongoing items
- 5) **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a) Thank you notes
 - b) Other new business
- 6) **ADJOURN**

www.fairfieldheritagetrail.org

MORPC's Proposed Complete Streets Policy and Checklist Available for Review and Comment

MORPC wants to upgrade its Routine Accommodation (RA) Policy into a Complete Streets (CS) Policy and has a draft Complete Streets Policy available for public review and comment. The Complete Streets Policy that would apply to all transportation projects in the MORPC planning area receiving federal funding. MORPC's planning area consists of Delaware and Franklin counties, Bloom and Violet townships in Fairfield County, and the city of Pataskala in Licking County.

Complete Streets is an initiative that improves travel options and makes roadways safe, comfortable, and convenient for travel by automobile, bicycle, foot, or transit, regardless of age and ability. Providing Complete Streets has a variety of benefits which include:

- improving safety
- promoting various modes of transportation
- reducing congestion
- improving air quality
- encouraging physical activity
- providing access and connections for people who are unable to drive
- strengthening economic growth and stability for communities and regions

"According to the National Complete Streets Coalition, a total of 120 jurisdictions in the United States have adopted policies or have made written commitments to do so. We are aware of only a few other Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) with a comprehensive policy. As far as we know, MORPC's policy would be the first for a large MPO. Several Ohio cities, such as Columbus or Dayton, are currently adopting their own," states Kerstin Carr, Manager of Active Transportation and Safety Programs.

The Complete Streets Policy provides background information, a definition of Complete Streets, and the vision and purpose of the policy. The policy section itself includes statements, information about applicability, requirements to adhere to the policy, and recommendations. A brief implementation and evaluation section are also included, along with a checklist to assist project sponsors in planning and designing their projects in adherence to the policy.

Evidence is mounting that providing safe and accessible facilities for all users is important to the health and well-being of many of our residents, not to mention having the long-term potential to conserve our resources.

Please click here to view the Draft Policy <http://mid-ohioregionalplanningcommission.createsend.com/t/r/l/oxlht/iuurlhhu/r> and Checklist <http://mid-ohioregionalplanningcommission.createsend.com/t/r/l/oxlht/iuurlhhu/y> .

If you have any comments regarding the proposed CS policy and checklist, please submit them to Kerstin Carr's attention (kcarr@morpc.org), Fax: 614.233.5733, Phone: 614.233.4163) no later than **Friday, March 19, 2010**. It is MORPC's goal to adopt this policy on April 8, 2010 so that it can be in place prior to the adoption of the updated MORPC federal funding policies and procedures and the following solicitation for funding applications. Additional information can also be found on the MORPC website <http://mid-ohioregionalplanningcommission.createsend.com/t/r/l/oxlht/iuurlhhu/j> .

MORPC SEEKS VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ON THE CAC

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) is seeking volunteers to serve on its Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC). The individual must serve a constituency and reside in MORPC's transportation planning area: Delaware and Franklin counties, Bloom and Violet townships in Fairfield County, and Etna Township and Pataskala in Licking County. MORPC seeks individuals who are not elected officials or representatives of local governments (these officials have other avenues to provide comments to MORPC).

The CAC meets the first Monday of every month to review regional transportation policies, plans and projects and advise MORPC staff and board whether or not to adopt or modify these programs. As a member of the CAC, you will not only have the opportunity to influence how transportation funds are spent in the region, but also learn how decisions are made that determine which transportation projects are funded. Members of the CAC are kept abreast of changes in transportation legislation as well as changes and growth in the region.

If you would like to serve on the CAC, please forward your name and the association you represent along with your bio to Bernice Cage at bcage@morpc.org. Information regarding the CAC can be found on MORPC's web site at http://www.morpc.org/transportation/public/citizens_advisory.asp. We look forward to an exciting year in transportation planning.

Dublin seeks input on transportation

Wednesday, March 3, 2010 2:38 PM

As part of its Multi-Modal Transportation Study, Dublin will host public input sessions from 3 to 7 p.m. March 9 and March 15 in the community hall of the Dublin Community Recreation Center, 5600 Post Road. According to the city, the study "is intended to build on the 2008 city council goal to 'evaluate multiple modes of transportation, such as bike lanes and public transportation, for possible implementation in future capital improvement programs.' " The input sessions will include stations where residents can share their opinions on "the current and future viability of alternative means of transportation in Dublin," the city said. For additional information about the sessions, contact land use and long range planner Jonathan Papp at (614) 410-4683 or jpapp@dublin.oh.us.
http://www.thisweeknews.com/live/content/dublin/stories/2010/03/03/0304dunews-brief_in.html?sid=104

SAFETY

Distracted Driving Report

The Advocacy Advance Team has completed its latest research on Distracted Driving <http://www.bikeleague.org/resources/reports/distracted_driving.php> The research includes a full report and fact sheet about state and federal laws, stories from the field, and other information to help you join the movement to get distracted driving laws passed in your state or locality.

March 2, 2010

Driven to Distraction

Digital Billboards, Diversions Drivers Can't Escape

By MATT RICHTEL

Safety advocates who worry about the dangers of distracted driving have a new concern beyond cellphones and gadget-laden dashboards: digital roadside billboards. These high-tech billboards marry the glow of Times Square with the immediacy of the Internet. Images change every six to eight seconds, so advertisers can flash timely messages — like the latest headlines, coffee deals at dawn, a cheeseburger at lunchtime or even the song playing on a radio station at that moment. The billboard industry asserts there is no research indicating they cause crashes, and notes that the signs do not use video or animation. But to critics, these ever-changing, bright billboards are “television on a stick” and give drivers, many of them already calling and texting, yet another reason to take their eyes off the road. Abby Dart, executive director of Scenic Michigan, a nonprofit group trying to block construction of new digital billboards in the state, calls the signs “weapons of mass distraction” and says they can be more dangerous than phones. “You can turn off your phone,” she said. “The billboard gets your attention whether you want to give it or not.”

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/03/02/technology/02billboard.html?th&emc=th>

Columbus to consider texting ban

Columbus might join the growing list of cities that ban motorists from texting while driving. City Councilman Andy Ginther just announced a hearing next week on the issue. It will take place Tuesday at 5 p.m. in council chambers at City Hall. People will be able to offer their opinions as well. The announcement says Ginther plans to introduce legislation to impose a texting ban in Columbus. Bexley became the first city in central Ohio to ban texting while driving last year. Cleveland also has a ban in place. http://blog.dispatch.com/thecity/2010/03/columbus_to_consider_texting_b.shtml

Drivers face text ban

Councilman says he'll introduce legislation making it a violation

Friday, March 5, 2010 3:41 AM

By Robert Vitale

THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

THE HOT ISSUE

- [Would you support a ban on texting while driving in Columbus?](#)

Columbus might join the growing list of governments that have banned texting while driving, an activity blamed for a rising number of crashes tied to behind-the-wheel distractions. "Texting while driving is especially dangerous," City Councilman Andrew J. Ginther said yesterday. "You're putting yourself, your passengers, other drivers, their passengers, bicyclists and pedestrians at risk." Ginther, who will host a council hearing on the issue at 5 p.m. Tuesday, said he plans to introduce legislation to ban the practice in the next two months. It could become law as early as mid-May if his fellow council members approve. Columbus would join Cleveland, Toledo, Akron and Bexley among Ohio cities that ban people from reading or typing cell-phone text messages while they're driving. Ohio lawmakers have had hearings but no vote yet on a proposed statewide ban. Nineteen states and the District of Columbia ban all drivers from texting. Nine more ban texting only for young drivers.

http://www.dispatchpolitics.com/live/content/local_news/stories/2010/03/05/copy/drivers-face-text-ban.html?adsec=politics&sid=101

Hilliard Proposes 2-Step Approach To Texting Ban

By Donna Willis | Multimedia Content Producer

Published: March 2, 2010

THE WATCH

HILLIARD, Ohio—The city of Hilliard has proposed a texting-while-driving ban, following in the footsteps of Bexley and Pickerington. House Bill 415, the statewide proposal banning texting, has seen some delays. Some Hilliard residents said they would like to see something done now. "I think it is long overdue. I totally agree with a ban on texting," one resident said. "I don't believe that people should be out causing havoc on the road," another said. Hilliard is in the process of developing its own law, but officials wanted to add something new to the approach. "We are looking at a two-prong approach: No. 1 is the law-enforcement aspect, which will obviously involve an ordinance. And the second one is an education and awareness program," said Jim Ashenurst, chairman of city council's public safety and legal affairs committee. http://www2.nbc41.com/cmh/news/local/local_govtpolitics/article/hilliard_proposes_2-step_approach_to_texting_ban/32758/

Write off conspiracy theory on texting ban

BY REKHA BASU • Wake-Up Call • March 5, 2010

Iowa lawmakers are moving toward barring people from texting on cell phones while driving. Count me in the cheering section. Humans are just not capable of staying attentive to the road with such distractions. That's why at least 18 states have passed texting bans. One study, by Virginia Tech, finds collisions 23 times as likely when drivers are texting.

<http://www.newarkadvocate.com/article/20100305/OPINION02/3050325/1014/OPINION/Write-off-conspiracy-theory-on-texting-ban>

Crosswalk by restaurant to be upgraded in the spring

Tuesday, March 2, 2010 2:50 AM

By Mary Beth Lane

THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

LANCASTER, Ohio - A crosswalk spans busy Cherry Street outside Bib's Eastside Restaurant, but some drivers ignore it and blow right through. Children use the crosswalk as they walk to and from nearby East Elementary School. So do patrons crossing the street to get to Bib's at 202 N. Cherry St. The restaurant owner, Jim Bibler, has asked city officials to install a stop light or a flashing light. The school crossing guards think something should be done, too. "The cars come flying down, you put your flag out, they don't stop," said Cross Colon, who was stationed at the crosswalk Wednesday afternoon with his partner, Kaytelynn Boch. Both are in fifth grade at East. Many of Bib's patrons are older people, said Christopher Bibler, the owner's son, and crossing Cherry Street is a challenge for them. A man was struck by a car there and killed in 2004 after leaving the restaurant. The city plans to use money from the Ohio Department of Transportation's Safe Routes to School program to improve the crosswalk in the spring, said Toby Shamblin, superintendent of the Lancaster Department of Transportation.

http://www.dispatch.com/live/content/local_news/stories/2010/03/02/crosswalk-by-restaurant-to-be-upgraded-in-the-spring.html

City should clean its own sidewalks

Tom Brunner • Newark • March 2, 2010

I was reading the paper Feb. 27 about school kids walking to school and having to walk in the street because some walks are not clean. Well before property maintenance steps in to make people clean their walks, the city has to step up and clean their own. I live on Second Street, and the kids had to walk in the street a lot. Even on Second Street bridge, the walks were not touched at all, so who's responsible for cleaning those walks? So Mr. Diebold, if you are that concerned about the kids safety, how about getting your people to clean the city's sidewalks? I'm disabled, and my walks are cleaned all the time. I care for the safety of these kids probably more than you. If Mr. Diebold cares so much, then he needs to do something besides talk.

<http://www.newarkadvocate.com/article/20100302/OPINION03/3020321/1014/OPINION/City-should-clean-its-own-sidewalks>

HEALTH

Obesity's risks higher for poor kids, study says

Tuesday, March 2, 2010 2:50 AM

By Peggy O'Farrell

THE CINCINNATI ENQUIRER

Obesity rates for children seem to be leveling off for all but a few subgroups, a new study released today says. Low-income, minority and publicly insured children keep getting fatter and their health risks continue to increase, said Lisa Simpson, director of the Child Policy Research Center at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. She is a co-author of the report, published in the current edition of *Health Affairs*. "We're seeing a concentration or worsening of that burden among those vulnerable groups," Simpson said. The study also found that, nationally, the percentage of children ages 10 to 17 who were classified as overweight has stabilized — 15.7percent in 2003 to 15.3percent in 2007. At the same time, though, the percentage classified as obese increased from 14.8percent to 18.3percent. Being obese or overweight tended to be more prevalent in neighborhoods without parks or recreation centers, in neighborhoods that parents described as unsafe and in neighborhoods where parents reported rundown housing, Simpson said. http://www.dispatch.com/live/content/local_news/stories/2010/03/02/obesitys-risks-higher-for-poor-kids-study-says.html

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What America's Most Obese Metro Areas Have in Common

Montgomery, Ala., and Stockton, Calif., Tie for Most Obese in U.S.

by Elizabeth Mendes

Gallup and Healthways started collecting BMI data as part of the Well-Being Index in January of 2008 and surveyed in 187 metro areas in 2009. This is the first in a two-part series reviewing the most and least obese metro areas in the United States. Gallup will reveal the 10 least obese metro areas in part two of this series.

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Montgomery, Ala., and Stockton Calif., tie for the most obese metro areas in the U.S., with adult obesity rates of 34.6% -- substantially surpassing the national average obesity rate of 26.5%. More than one-third of adults are classified as obese in the 10 metro areas found to be most obese according to Gallup-Healthways Well-Being Index collected in 2009.

<http://www.gallup.com/poll/126242/America-Obese-Metro-Areas-Common.aspx?version=print>

District receives \$65,000 grant

Wednesday, March 3, 2010 2:18 PM

The Fairfield County Combined General Health District has received a \$65,000 grant from the Ohio Department of Health injury prevention program. Funds will allow the district to implement a community-based program that addresses the risks associated with injuries. Agencies can choose to focus their efforts on a number of areas, such as fall prevention for older adults, violence prevention and bicycle and playground safety. http://www.thisweeknews.com/live/content/pickerington/stories/2010/03/03/0304pknew-brief_in.html?sid=104

LOCAL NEWS

A letter from Mayor Coleman

Friends, Partners and Community Leaders:

Just five years ago we issued the Green Memo and launched the Get Green Columbus campaign, and already you can see the impact in our city. I am amazed at the progress we and our civic partners are making in the greening of Columbus and making this a smarter, more sustainable community for future generations. We are also proving that Green is not only good for the planet, but it is also good for business and job creation.

The third party national benchmarking program, SustainLane, recognized our achievements and, in 2008, listed Columbus as the most improved city, stating "Columbus is a veritable Phoenix rising from ashes as the city shoots up a full 20 spots from its rank as dead last in 2006. Cities looking for sustainable inspiration need look no further than the Buckeye state." This year, Smarter Cities, a project of the Natural Resources Defense Council, ranked Columbus 15th among the 67 large cities evaluated.

Get Green Columbus includes a mix of City operational initiatives and challenges to the community and we are seeing progress on both fronts. In addition to improving our energy efficiency in older City facilities, every new City construction project is LEED certified by the U.S. Green Building Council. Together with private partners we saved the historic Lazarus Building and made it among the nation's largest green rehabs. We also opened our first sustainable residential neighborhood at GreenView Estates.

We are seeing our Bicentennial Bikeways Plan come to fruition, as Bicycling Magazine has named Columbus one of five cities to watch in the future. Columbus currently has 78.3 miles of bike routes and trails. We want to see an additional 36 miles of trails and 58 miles of on-street bike lanes and routes by the year 2015. <http://www.getgreencolumbus.org/PDFs/GreenMemo2010.pdf>

Curbside recycling by 2012 is city goal

Published: Wednesday, March 3, 2010 5:38 PM EST

The pothole-filling initiative was not, by a long shot, the only major initiative set forth by Mayor Michael Coleman in his 2010 State of the City address Feb. 24. One major announcement was that the city will be studying the possibility of providing curbside recycling to all single-family households. Currently, city residents must arrange and pay for curbside recycling if they want it, or take their recyclables to Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio drop-off centers throughout the city. "A city cannot be truly green unless it has a comprehensive curbside recycling program," Coleman said. The city will offer opportunities for public input in the coming months, with the goal of October adoption for a program to be rolled out by 2012. Other announced initiatives included:

- * Extending domestic partner health benefits to city employees, an act Coleman said would bring the city in line with the marketplace and is "the right thing to do."

- * Making efforts to get Columbus residents to eat and live more healthfully, including encouraging restaurants to provide calorie information on their menus.

- * Establishing a Web site at getactive.columbus.gov to provide residents with information on healthy opportunities in the community -- sporting events, farmers' markets, etc. -- as well as other health tips.

- * Further adding to the city's bike paths, including connecting all of the Alum Creek Trail between Bexley and Westerville.

- * Fixing up city recreation centers that have behind on repairs and renovations.

- * Utilizing a variety of efforts to create and retain jobs, including maintaining a high quality of life, partnering with Ohio State University on an East Side medical facility and maintaining development in the Arena District.

http://www.snponline.com/articles/2010/03/06/german_village_gazette/news/gvcolpotho_20100303_0524pm_4.txt

Corner Restaurant in Frankfort closes

THE GAZETTE STAFF • March 2, 2010

FRANKFORT -- The Corner Restaurant on the corner of Main and High streets has closed its doors. The news came Monday and was a surprise to staff and patrons at the popular hangout. Nancy Ratcliffe has worked there for 33 years. "I was 15 when I started working there in the afternoons after school," said Ratcliffe, who got the news on Sunday. "It's an icon for us, the news was so sad." The business was owned by Dale and Deborah Redding, who were unable to be reached for comment. Before the Reddings took ownership a couple of years ago, the popular eatery was owned and managed by David Milliken. He could also not be reached for comment.

<http://www.chillicothe Gazette.com/article/20100302/NEWS01/3020312/1002/Corner-Restaurant-in-Frankfort-closes>

Ira: This was a very popular bicyclist destination.

Restaurant closing surprises community

BY LOREN GENSON • Gazette Staff Writer • March 3, 2010

FRANKFORT -- Napkins and salt shakers still sit on the tables at the Corner Restaurant on Main and Springfield streets. The only sign anything has changed is that the popular eatery is empty and no lights are on during the Tuesday lunch hour. There's no sign to indicate the restaurant is closed for good, but in the close-knit town, nearly everyone already knows. "Word got around pretty fast, as soon as the employees knew, I think everyone in town knew about it," said Nancy Ratcliffe, who worked at the restaurant for 33 years. <http://www.chillicothe Gazette.com/article/20100303/NEWS01/3030307/Restaurant-closing-surprises-community>

Construction complete on Galena trail bridge

Saturday, February 27, 2010 7:57 PM

By CHRIS ALEXIS

ThisWeek Staff Writer

Construction on Kane's Crossing Trail Bridge in Galena has been finished. The bridge is part of the Ohio-to-Erie Trail. Construction has been completed on Kane's Crossing Trail Bridge over Big Walnut Creek in Galena. The bridge is part of the Ohio-to-Erie Trail. When completed, the trail will connect cities, towns

and villages from the Ohio River to Lake Erie. The bridge itself was finished on Feb. 9, said Galena public service director Scott Jamison. The new bridge sits about 17 inches above the ground at the approaches, which are yet to be completed, mayor Tom Hopper said. At its Feb. 22 meeting, Galena Village Council voted to hire winning bidder W.B Republic, Sunbury, to construct approaches for the bridge and 815 feet of connecting trail ways. http://www.thisweeknews.com/live/content/sunbury/stories/2010/02/27/0228sugalena-bridge_in.html?sid=104

Knox County Trail Updates

Here are the latest updates concerning our special trail system: Kokosing Gap Trail: Excellent cross country skiing opportunities await users on the Kokosing Gap Trail. Mohican Valley Trail: Trail volunteers and park district staff will discuss the history and use of this unique trail at the Mount Vernon Public Library's Brown Bag Chat at noon on March 24th. Kokosing Water Trail: If you are a kayak and canoe enthusiast, now's the time to review proper cold water preparation for early spring float trips. Visit our partners at the Division of Watercraft for [tips](#) to make your early spring trips safe. Important topics such as cold water immersion and hypothermia, surviving a cold water accident and dressing for cold-water boating are covered.

Speed limit could increase on Diley Road

Thursday, March 4, 2010 1:08 PM

By NATE ELLIS

ThisWeek Staff Writer

Motorists on Pickerington's portion of Diley Road soon could soon hasten their pace without facing penalties. Pickerington City Council voted 6-1 on Tuesday, March 2, to pass the first reading of legislation to raise the speed limit on Diley Road from 35 mph to 45 mph. The measure requires two additional favorable votes before a change would be made. If that happens, the speed limit would be increased on Diley Road from Hill Road North to the city's water treatment plant just south of Fox Glen Drive.

http://www.thisweeknews.com/live/content/pickerington/stories/2010/03/03/Speed-limit-could-increase-on-Diley-Road_.html?sid=104

City moves forward with sustainability guidelines

By BRET LIEBENDORFER

Published: Friday, March 5, 2010 1:57 PM EST

Worthington has made the path to go green clearer.

At its meeting Monday, March 1, Worthington City Council approved legislation that issues guidelines for sustainability technology -- everything from rain barrels to solar panels. A staff report stated the goal is to encourage "sustainable design and building practices, while preserving the character and integrity of the Architectural Review District." "This (ordinance) does not mandate anything ... it merely creates guidelines to assist property owners," said council member Scott Myers, offering an example of oak rain barrels recommended instead of the plastic ones the applicant originally planned to use. The legislation follows recent interest by some residents in using ecological-friendly activity and the prediction that more applicants will come to the city in the future. While no definitive list was included, the legislation does include recommendations. Inherent efficiency features in buildings should be used first as well as landscaping, it suggests, and storm water can be managed through permeable pavement and rain barrels. Solar panels need to minimize visual impact, and bike racks, the use of recycled materials, and natural light and ventilation are encouraged.

http://www.snponline.com/articles/2010/03/06/worthington_news/news/wocouncil%2020100302_0412pm_18.txt

OTHER NEWS

American Bicyclist Update

[Transportation Funds Halted](#)

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Active Transportation Act of 2010

[Read about yesterday's historic milestone for trails, walking and bicycling, and take action now!](#)

For years, you have been speaking up for active transportation. Through both critical victories and short-term setbacks, your phone calls, e-mails, and support have persisted.

And finally, we have the most tangible result yet that our calls for more active transportation will be answered.

Late yesterday, U.S. Representative Earl Blumenauer (Ore.) introduced H.R. 4722, the "**Active Community Transportation Act of 2010**" (ACT Act), on the floor of the House of Representatives!

Yesterday, H.R. 4722, the "**Active Community Transportation Act of 2010**" was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives!

Now, your voice is needed to ensure that this legislation becomes reality.
[Please act now!](#)

The [ACT Act](#) is the direct result of Rails-to-Trails Conservancy's (RTC) [Campaign for Active Transportation](#). The Act would create a \$2 billion program to fund dozens of communities around the country to improve their trail, walking and biking networks. **Your community** could ultimately receive some of these funds, better allowing you and your neighbors to walk and bike to the places you live, work, play, shop and learn.

Across the country, Americans have [made clear](#) that we want more transportation options, and the ACT Act goes a long way toward making such safe and convenient options a reality. [Research clearly shows](#) that funding active transportation is a wise investment, saving our nation substantially over time.

Now that Rep. Blumenauer has introduced the legislation in the House, **we need to ensure that other representatives support the bill's passage.**

[Encourage your representative to co-sponsor this very important legislation now.](#)

This push for co-sponsors is the first step of a larger strategy to ensure that we get the strongest possible congressional support. Next Thursday, hundreds of advocates from around the country will gather in Washington, D.C., for the [League of American Bicyclists' annual Bike Summit](#), to lobby for the ACT Act. **That same day, Thursday, March 11, we'll ask you to join a national call-in day in support of the ACT Act.** Please stay tuned.

Thank you,

Rails-to-Trails Conservancy

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