

The Marquette Greenway

Residents of the South Shore region have long desired to have an uninterrupted trail connecting Chicago to New Buffalo, MI, providing access to a wide variety of destinations along the lakefront. The enormous work of planning this corridor has been a collaborative effort for two decades. In 2005, the Greenway became a focal point in the landmark *Marquette Plan: Indiana's Lakeshore Reinvestment Strategy* document and has carried forward as a top priority today. The route was further identified and promoted with the *Marquette Greenway Poster Plan* in 2009, and again identified as a priority in the *Marquette Action Plan* in 2017. The Marquette Greenway will represent an unparalleled multi-use trail experience, traversing through a geographically and socio-economically diverse landscape. It will connect a population of 192,600 residents within a mile and a half of the trail (including 60,000 who are employed within the corridor), to recreational facilities, scenic landscapes, and economic opportunities.

- Three States along Lake Michigan
- Five Counties Traversed
- 15 Municipal Entities Involved
- One National Park and One State Park Connected
- 200,000 Population Within 1.5 Miles of Trail
- Links Over 60,000 Jobs
- Estimated Total Cost Approx. \$110 Million

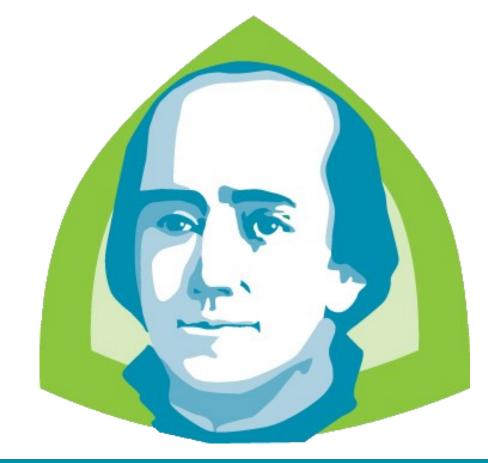
Marquette Greenway Omnibus Project Tracker



March 2024 Update



Project Length in Miles Municipality Funding Status Current Phase(s) Cost/Estimate Status Report	
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2 Line	
Hammond Lakefront Trail 0.4 Hammond RDA Complete \$500,000 Opened in 2010	
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12 MG Trail: Calumet to 150th 1.6 Hammond NIRPC Complete \$1,121,346 Opened in 2016 / Des #: 0500821	
13 MG 150th to EC Line @ Toll Road 0.3 Hammond Local Not Started \$900,000 Small connection from 150th to East Chicago under Toll Road	
14 MG Indianapolis Blvd to Kennedy Ave 1.5 East Chicago NIRPC Ongoing PE \$1,494,800 Des #: 1601146	
15 MG Kennedy to Gary Line 1.5 Hammond NIRPC Not Started \$2,469,740 Des #: 1901900	
16 Restore 400' Bridge Over Tollway 0.1 Gary/Hammond RAISE Not Started \$2,235,841 Project costs split between Hammond and Gary. Currently owned	by Save the Dunes
17 MG Trail 3.9 Gary RAISE Not Started \$4,596,900 Project to run along South Shore railroad - will need approval	
18 MG Bridge - 300' over CN RR 0.1 Gary RAISE Not Started \$6,129,200 Contact with CN needed Gary Green Link Bridge to Ambridge Occupant Started Section Company (Company) (Comp	
19 Mann Park 0.6 Gary NIRPC Complete DEMO \$914,565 Opened in 2012 / Des #: 0600238	
20 MG Abridge Mann to Polk St. 0.5 Gary NIRPC Complete \$1,604,097 Opened in 2022 / Des #: 1702158	
21 MG Polk St. to Broadway 1 Gary NIRPC Complete \$1,388,465 Opened in 2017 / Des #: 0401038	
22 MG Trail & Bridges (350" & 120" bridges) 3.7 NPS NPS Ongoing PE/ROW \$13,000,000 Phase 2: Union Station to Douglas Center 23 MG Trail & Bridge (120" bridge) 2.6 NPS NPS Ongoing PE/ROW \$4,100,000 Phase 1: Douglas Center to West Beach (County Line Road)	
24 MG Trail w/ boardwalk 2.5 NPS NPS Ongoing PE \$3,000,000 Phase 3: West Beach (County Line Road) to Portage Lakefront	
25 MG Trail Ogden Dunes to Burns Dr 1.5 Portage RAISE Not Started \$2,344,419	
26 MG Boardwalk Trail - 575' 0.1 Portage RAISE Not Started \$610,238 Running underneath US 12	
27 MG Bridge - 230' 0.1 Portage RAISE Not Started \$2,359,742 Over Burns Canal	
28 MG Bridge Restoration 0.1 Portage NIRPC Not Started \$1,700,000	
29 MG Burns Dr. to Prairie School Rd 0.3 Portage Complete \$200,000 Opened in 2012. 30 MG on Ameriplex Dr. Prairie School to 0.7 Pra	
30 Deer Trail Park 0.7 Portage NIRPC Complete \$918,536 Opened in 2021 / Des #: 1500418.	
31 MG Salt Creek (inc. 120-foot bridge) 0.8 Portage/NPS Next Level Complete \$2,549,300 Opened in 2023.	
32 MG Trail - West of SR-149 1.4 Burns Harbor Next Level Complete \$2,000,000 Opened in 2021.	
33 MG Trail - Westport 0.6 Burns Harbor DNR Ongoing CN \$809,176 Construction started in November 2023. Des #: 1601147.	
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Since 2009, the Marquette Greenway has secured a number of public and private grants towards its completion. Many of these were awarded by NIRPC using Federal Highway funds through their competitive programs. In Michigan, the SW Michigan Commission aided with their attributable funds for two segments, including a large donation from the Pokagon Fund, a private foundation.

The vast amount of the land needed for the Greenway is publicly owned. However, major donations of property have been secured, with expected easements granted by the Northern Indiana Public Service Corp. and the South Shore Line. Full details of the Greenway's progress is located in the table to the left.