

Franklinton to Louisburg Rail-Trail

LENGTH
4.68 miles
 FROM
Perrys Chapel Road
 TO
Louisburg Bike Trail

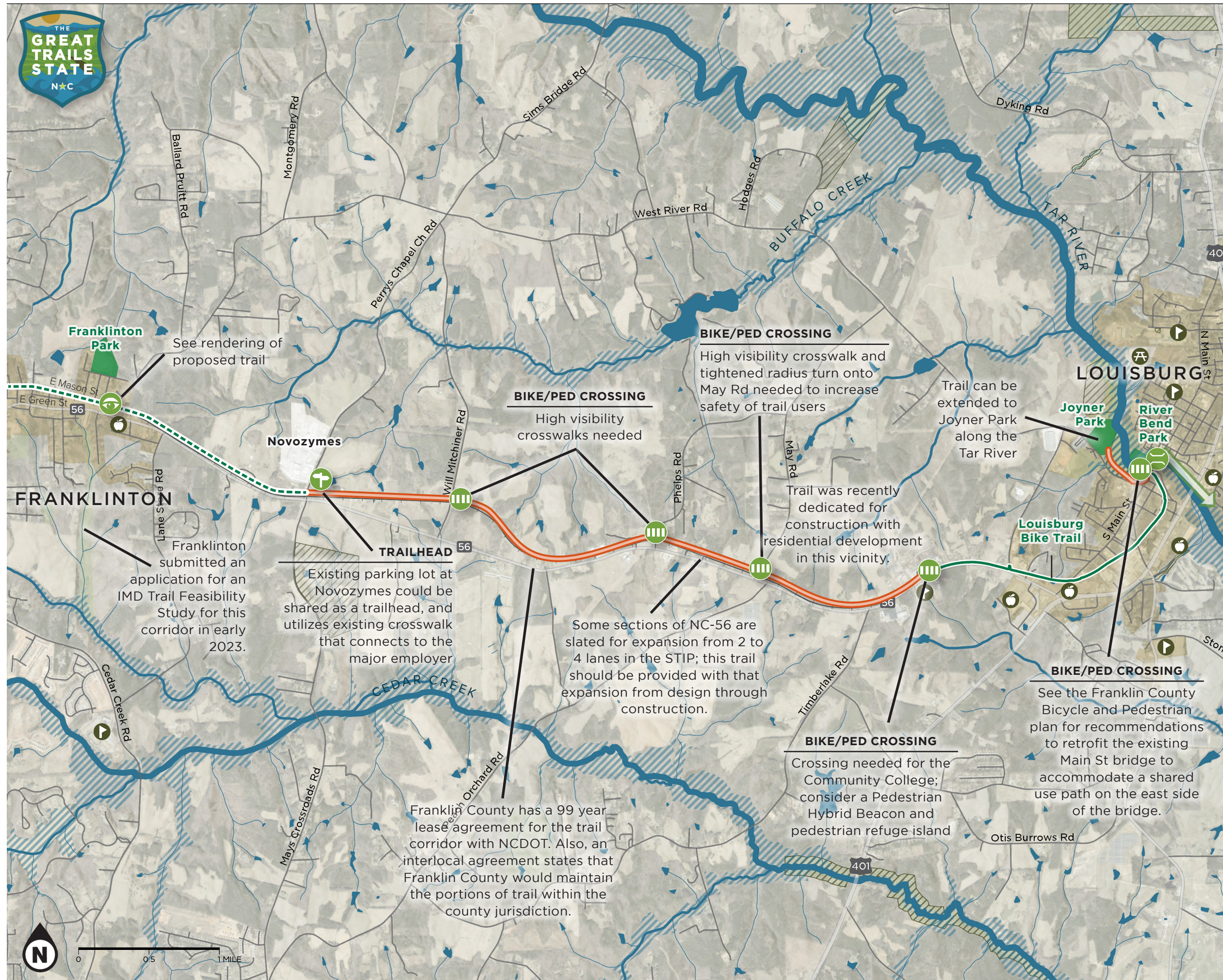
LEGEND

TRAIL FACILITIES

- Existing Trail or Shared Use Path
- Bike/Ped Project in Development
- Proposed Trail Route
- Future Trail Connections
- Proposed Trailhead
- Proposed Trail Crossing (see notes)
- Proposed Trail Bridge
- Location of Artist's Rendering

OTHER FEATURES

- 100-Year Floodplain
- Municipal Boundary
- Park
- Public Land (Federal/State/Muni.)
- Conservation Easement
- School
- Grocery Store
- Park/Recreation Destination



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Why?

PROJECT CONTEXT

This segment completes the middle section of a 9.9 mile rail-trail between downtown Franklinton and Louisburg. This project will link the existing Louisburg Bike Trail (2.2 miles) to the approximately 3 mile future rail-trail that will run from from downtown Franklinton to the Novozymes industrial park. This project shown “in development” on the map has slated funding by NCDOT.

KEY DESTINATIONS

- Downtown Franklinton and Louisburg
- Novozymes industrial park
- Vance-Granville Community College Franklin Campus

SUPPORT IN PREVIOUS PLANS

- Franklin County Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (2021)
- Franklin County Parks and Recreation Master Plan (2019)
- Franklin County Comprehensive Plan (2019)
- CAMPO Northeast Area Study (2014)
- Franklin County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (2013)

PUBLIC INPUT

A desire to connect town centers, and in particular Franklinton and Louisburg, was a recurring theme that emerged during the public and stakeholder engagement process for the Franklin County Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

However, some portions of the proposed Franklinton to Louisburg Trail have received pushback from adjacent landowners.

How?

JURISDICTION(S)

City of Franklinton, City of Louisburg, Franklin County

OTHER POTENTIAL PARTNERS

- NCDOT
- Triangle Trails Initiative
- Capital Area MPO
- Novozymes
- Adjacent property owners

POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES

Transportation Alternatives Program grants, Safe Routes to School, other state or federal grant funding

PLANNING-LEVEL COST ESTIMATES

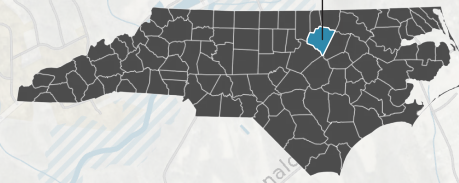
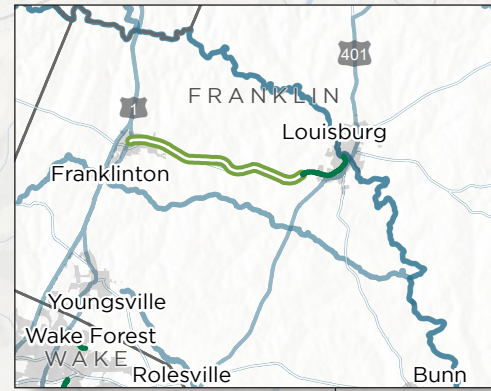
The project cost is estimated to be around \$5.4 million. For a detailed breakout of planning level costs, see Appendix A.

ROW NEEDS

Franklin County leases the former RR ROW from the NC Department of Transportation. Crossing and the proposed trailhead would need to be coordinated with private landowners.

DESIGN OPTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

This section would be a 10-12 foot paved rail-trail. Road crossings and two new trailheads are proposed.



FRANKLIN COUNTY

TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGE FACTORS: FRANKLIN COUNTY Block Group ID: 370690604042

Age 15 and Under	18% (vs NC Average of 18%)
Age 65 and Over	29% (vs NC Average of 18%)
Poverty	27% (vs NC Average of 24%)
BIPOC Population	70% (vs NC Average of 36%)
Zero-Car Households	8% (vs NC Average of 6%)
Disability Prevalence (Adult Population)	35% (vs NC Average of 17%)

Block Group ID: 370690603021

Age 15 and Under	28% (vs NC Average of 18%)
Age 65 and Over	14% (vs NC Average of 18%)
Poverty	52% (vs NC Average of 24%)
BIPOC Population	81% (vs NC Average of 36%)
Zero-Car Households	3% (vs NC Average of 6%)
Disability Prevalence (Adult Population)	24% (vs NC Average of 17%)

