GREATER ERIE REGIONAL TRAILS

STEERING COMMITTEE AUGUST 9, 2016

<u>Inspiration:</u>

Emerge 2040 Finding
Pittsburgh to Erie Trail
Cog member interest
Cleveland Metro Parks concept

http://www.clevelandmetroparks.co m/Main/Recreation/Hiking-and-Walking-12.aspx

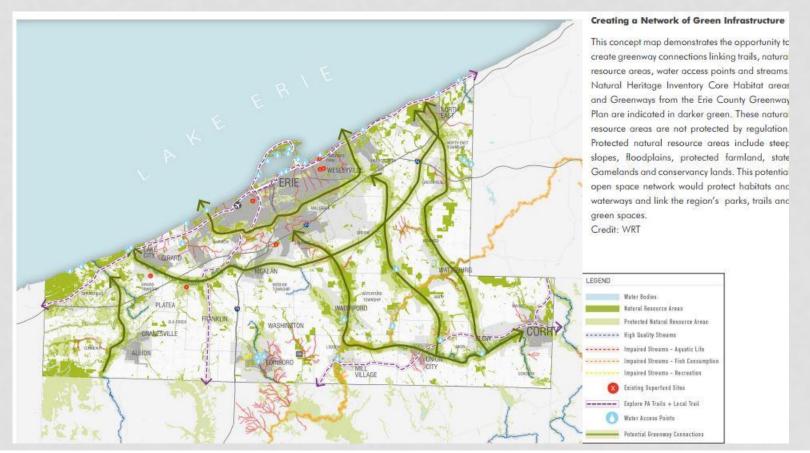
Internet accessibility:

Erie Hiking/Walking Trails DCNR Maps

http://maps.dcnr.pa.gov/localparks/

City of Erie Map

http://www.communitywalk.com/adoptapark/map/1230732



TRAIL SUMMIT

MARCH 23, 2016





ECGRA GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT

JULY 20, 2016









ECGRA MMC GRANT

- Multi-municipal grant awarded to the EACOG with the expectations that the program is extended to all Erie county municipalities
- Amount \$37,500
- Requires 1:1 match
- Grant term 1 year with a possible 6 month extension
- Estimated that we will be able to sign 25 locations with the grant and municipal match

PROJECT GOALS

AUG 8, 2016

- 1. Increase awareness and use of recreational trails throughout Erie County
- 2. Create physical and virtual connections across municipal boundaries
- 3. Promote recreation amenities throughout Erie Region
- 4. Promote healthy outdoor activities, partner with existing initiatives such as Erie County Health Dept and Let's Move Outside
- 5. Connect municipalities as partners and visitors to each other's parks
- 6. Drive investment in municipal recreational trails as usage increases

PHYSICAL & VIRTUAL CONNECTIONS

Cohesive Sign Network

Directional Guideway Signs:

Wine trail

TODS



Inclusive map available electronically

Develop map and website and app for ease of resident and visitor

- on existing municipal websites and apps (HelloErie)
- search engine optimization

THINGS TO DO:

- 1. Committee members set guidelines for eligibility for the network
- 2. Committee members provide inventory of trail sites for inclusion in the network
- 3. Set outreach plan for other municipalities
- 4. MOU drafted to set expectation and explain share of signage cost contributed by the host
- 5. Project name

THINGS TO DO:

- 6. Sign type and look decisions
- 7. Logo and design decisions
- 8. Website/ App developed
- 9. Promotion and marketing
- 10. Whatever else comes up...