



PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

Trails and Blueways Council Meeting Agenda January 28, 2025, at 6:30PM George Hellwig Administration Building

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Administrative Business Items, 5 min.**
 - a. Resolutions for Remote Participation, if any
 - b. Approval of December 17, 2024, Meeting Minutes
 - c. Accept January 22, 2025, PHNST Subcommittee Notes
 - d. Resolution 25-1 – Funding for Flat Branch Greenway
4. **Citizen's Time, 10 min.**
5. **Planning Director Welcome, Tanya Washington, 5 min.**
6. **County Agency Representative's Time and Presentation Items, 10 min.**
 - a. Parks and Recreation Updates, David Kroeger
 - b. Transportation Updates, Bryce Barrett
 - i. Neabsco Creek Bridge Project
 - ii. TLC & RRSP Grant Submissions
 - c. Planning Updates, Yolanda Hipski
7. **Community Development Applications, 10 min.**
 - a. Vint Hill Corridor Study Update, Yolanda Hipski
 - b. Other updates, Robert Boyd
8. **Business Items**
 - a. 2025 TBC Goals Finalization, Liz Cronauer, 20 min.
9. **Presentation Items/Reports, 30 min.**
 - a. Trail Priorities with Costs, Janet Bartnik
 - b. FY25 CIP funding plan – pedestrian priorities, Bryce Barrett
 - c. Trails Master Plan Process Presentation, Staff
10. **Organization Representative's Time, 10 min.**
11. **Member's Time, 20 min.**
12. **Meeting Recap, 5 min.**
 - a. Follow up items / Requests of staff
 - b. Announcements:
 - i. PHNST Gap Study – Gap 1 – February 12 at 1pm
 - ii. State of the Parks – February 13 at 7pm
 - iii. PHNST Gap Study – Gap 2 & 3 – February 20 at 1pm
13. **Adjourn**

TBC 2025 Regular Meeting Dates:

January 28	February 25	March 25	April 22	May 27	June 24
July 22	August 26	September 23	October 28	November 18	December 16

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Advisors to the Board of County Supervisors

MOTION: XX

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SECOND: XX

RE: APPROVE MEMBER AMYLATALLADI-FULTON'S REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY THROUGH ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION MEANS

ACTION:

WHEREAS, the Prince William County Trails and Blueways Council adopted a policy pursuant to Section 2.2-3708.2, VA Code Ann., to allow for remote participation by Members of the Council, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Council's policy, Any Latalladi-Fulton notified the Chair that he is requesting permission from the Council to electronically participate at the Council's January 28, 2025, meeting; and

WHEREAS, the member certified (Check A or B);

A. X the Member is unable to attend the meeting due to (i) a temporary or permanent disability or other medical condition that prevents the Member's physical attendance or (ii) a family member's medical condition that requires the member to provide care for such family member, thereby preventing the member's physical attendance; OR

B. _____ the Member is unable to attend the meeting due to the following specifically identified personal matter: (specify)

AND the Member has not already participated electronically due to a personal reason in excess of two meetings this calendar year or 25 percent of the meetings held per calendar year rounded up to the next whole number, whichever is greater; and

WHEREAS, the remote location from which the Member plans to electronically participate is her residence; and this remote location will/will not (*underline one*) be open to the public; and

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WHEREAS the Member verifies that the Member's participation in any closed session of the meeting shall remain confidential and not be disclosed to any unauthorized persons or entities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Council's policy, a request for electronic participation from a remote location shall be approved unless participation violates the Council's policy or any provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William County Trails and Blueways Council does approve the request to participate in the meeting through electronic communication means in accordance with the Council's policy; a quorum of the Council was physically assembled at one primary or central meeting location; and arrangements were made for the voice of the Member to be heard by all persons at the primary or central meeting location.

Votes:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent from Vote:

Absent from Meeting:

SIGNED:



Prince William Trails and Blueways Council chair

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WHEN	GOAL	WHAT	WHO	STATUS	COMMENT
January 16	5	FLAP Grant Gap Analysis Project budget & appropriation (ABA) goes to BOCS for approval	Parks staff	C - 1/16/2024	Approved
January 23	5	Powell's Creek Crossing initial meeting with consultants	TBC	C - 1/23/2024	Telecon Held
January 23	16	Discuss and form TBC subcommittee if necessary to explore communication plan/process that will keep Supervisors informed and updated (report due in February)	TBC	C - 1/23/2024	Eileen took lead
	2	East Coast Greenway – Elliott Caldwell	ECG	C- 1/23/2024	Elliott Introduced
February 27	5	Resolution about routing trail under I-95 and US 1 on section from Occoquan to Belmont Bay	TBC, David	C-2/27/2024	Resolution 24-4 written and approved
February 27	9	Presentation of Catharpin Greenway alignment, gaps, and next steps	David, Patti	C- 2/27/2024	Presented at TBC Meeting
February 16	11	TBC Participate in or provide feedback to Yorkshire TLC Shareholder meetings	Liz, Catherine	C-2/16/2024	Further meetings in March
February 27	16	Finish item on supervisor communication from January	TBC, Eileen	C-2/27/2024	Presented at TBC Meeting
March 26	1	Start discussion to set the stage for the county-wide trails plan update – what should be in the plan and how TBC can most effectively support and participate in the process. Identify preparations in advance of start?	TBC and Parks Staff	C-3/26/2024	Initial Discussion at TBC 3/26 Meeting Members invited to provide feedback
March 26	5	Onboard FLAP grant gap analysis consultant; kickoff project	Parks Staff; PHNST subcommittee	C-3/26/2024	Initial Parks meeting with consultant in March. Scope discussed by Patti at 3/26 meeting
March 26	5	NVRC Data collection along PHNST	NVRC	C-3/28/2024	Virtual App Training completed 3/28
March 26	18	Consistent Signage	TBC	C-3/26/2024	ECO Trail Signage Format and Info discussed at 3/26 TBC Meeting

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April 5	7	Explore Broad Run Greenway alignment, gaps, and next steps	Parks Staff, T&BC	C-04/05/2024	Hiked on historical county-owned property on Broad Run that will expand Bristoe battlefield
April 14	5	Second Sunday Hike reacquainting people with Powell's Creek Landing area prior to stakeholder meeting	PWTSC / T&BC	C-04/14/2024	Hiked from Power Lines to Leesylvania Entrance and back – actually outside study area
April 22	5	Powell's Creek Crossing Project stakeholder meetings with contractor	TBC / PHNST Subcommittee	C-04/22/2024	TBC meeting with contractor 4/22 – provided limits on crossing
April 23	1	Present a process for the development of a comprehensive, county-wide trails plan prescribed in the PWC Comprehensive Plan to include what, who, how, and when (proposed process will determine additions to the work plan)	Planning, Transportation, and Parks Staff	C-04/23/2024	Continued discussion at April meeting – Looked forward to July workshop meeting.
April 23	5	NVRC Data collection along PHNST	NVRC	C-04/08/2024 Assignments made	Inputs due by June 7 – Several contributors were late, and this should wrap up in July with presentation in September
April 23	8	Presentation of Neabsco Greenway alignment, gaps, and next steps	Parks Staff	C-04/23/2024	David presented at TBC Meeting
May 28	2	Report on ATIIP Grant Application for VRE Trail from Manassas to Arlington. Phase 1 Design submission from Manassas to Fairfax with Manassas and Manassas Park working together with PWC.	Bryce Barrett	C-05/28/2024	TBC approved resolution 24-12 supporting this application and the goals of this trail effort.
May 28	3	Volunteer programs for Trail Maintenance	Eugene Loew	C-05/28/2024	Eugene presented last year's progress and statistics and outlook for future.
May 28	4	Advocate for Additional Trails Funding	TBC, DPR Staff	C-05/28/2024	\$425K for trails development and maintenance approved for FY25

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May 28	3	Discussion among members regarding volunteer efforts and identify areas where volunteers could be used to build and maintain trails.	TBC	C-05/28/2024	Eugene encouraged members and organizations to get attached to county trails. Discussion from MORE and Trails Keepers on their efforts. No Greenway gap analysis presented
June 20	2, 11	AITPP Submitted for Trail along VRE Rail from Manassas to Fairfax County	Transportation, Manassas, Manassas Park, Fairfax County	C-06/20/2024	Grant submitted for Phase 1 Design
June 25	2	Report on connections with groups to connect to (such as Fairfax and Loudoun Counties)	Planning, Transportation, and Parks Staff	C-06/25/2024	Exercise among T&BC held fleshing out matrix of organizations to be maintained.
July 5	8	TBC Staff conducted a site visit to explore a VDOT property adjacent to the ironworks historic site and bordering Neabsco Creek	DPR, T&BC	C-07/05/2024	Dale City Rest Area access recommended when this section of Neabsco Greenway created.
July 14	11	Hiked Blooms Park Loop Trail in Manassas Park	PWTS	C-07/14/2024	Explored potential trail segments VRE Trail along Rail.
July 20	5	Tracked progress on Gaps involving Destination Place, Belmont Bay and Potomac Shores	T&BC PHNST	C-07/20/2024	Waiting for results from FLAP Gaps study
July 23	1	WORK SESSION – collectively explore how we’re doing; iron out work plan changes for remainder of year; discuss volunteer opportunities discovered; “low-hanging fruit” that could be added to the county trail system without significant costs or effort; anything else that comes up	All	C-07/23/2024	Work session held. Observations and new directions identified.
July 23	1, 13	Discuss continuing process for the development of a comprehensive, county-wide trails plan prescribed in the PWC Comprehensive Plan to include what, who, how, and when	T&BC	C-07/23/2024	Discussed. DPR looking for priorities from each district in both active mobility and recreational trails.

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		(proposed process will determine additions to the work plan)			
July 25	14	Ribbon Cutting for Brentsville – 234 Bike / Ped Bridge and Interchange – Coles District	Bryce Barrett	C-07/25/2024	All parts are open as of 6/2/2024
July 27 th	2, 11, 12	Hike along Bull Run Occoquan Trail north of Route 28 in Fairfax County	Joe Marshall	C-07/27/2024	Identified places on PWC side for potential boat launches and low water crossing or bridge
August 20	5,10	PHNST S/C meeting focused on concepts from Inform for the Powell’s Creek Crossing Project	T&BC, PHNST S/C	C-08/20/2024	Significant feedback generated for Inform.
August 23	5, 14	Groundbreaking by contractor for Featherstone NWR section of PHNST – Woodbridge District	Janet Bartnik	C-08/23/2024	Expected completion in October 2025
August 27	7	Broad Run Greenway Trail Presentation	David Kroeger, Patti Pakkala	C-08/27/2024	Identified sections that are shovel ready
August 27	4	Discussion of tasks for \$1M in current CIP funding	Janet Bartnik, T&BC	C-08/27/2024	Prioritized list created
September 5	5	NVRC Data collection along PHNST results	NVRC	C-09/05/2024	Discussed progress at NVRC Trails Summit but more work needed
September 5	2	NVRC Trails Summit	NVRC	C-09/05/2024	Discussed trail connectivity at the state, regional and local levels.
September 8	1, 7	Hike at Dove’s Landing Park	PWTS	C-09/08/2024	Evaluated trail conditions
September 16	5, 10	Powell’s Creek Crossing Stakeholder’s Meeting with Inform	Ed De Leon, Inform	C-09/16/2024	Inform selected configuration C2 and showed programming across this section.
September 18	5	FLAP Grant Gap Analysis Project Gap 1 (Occoquan) Stakeholders Meeting	David Kroeger, ATCS	C-09/18/2024	Under contract in July – data collection since Constraints Reviewed
September 24	13	Collect trail priorities from each district	T&BC Meeting	C-09/24/2024	Full list collected by Janet at T&BC Meeting
September 24	6	Occoquan Greenway update	David Kroeger	C-09/24/2024	Update provided at T&BC Meeting
September 24	1	Sudley Area TLC Study	Yolanda Hipski	C-09/24/2024	Initial Forward plan discussed at T&BC Meeting

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September 25	5	FLAP Grant Gap Analysis Project Gaps 2 and 3 (Dumfries/PFWP) Stakeholders Meeting	David Kroeger, ATCS	C-9/25/2024	Under contract in July – data collection since Constraints Reviewed
October	5	NVRC Data collection along PHNST results;	NVRC Virtual Meeting	C-10/21/2024	Results Described at Meeting. Maps online.
	4	Capital Improvement Planning and Advocacy; Working list by district	T&BC	C-10/22/2024	Prioritized Lists Created by District; Resolution Approved
	2, 5, 11	Resolution Supporting state funding for NOVA trails	T&BC	C-10/22/2024	PHNST and Bull Run Loop Projects
	8	Explore Metz Wetland for Boardwalk Expansion	GPWTC Outing	C-10/24/2024	Partial Funding in Place
November	5	FLAP Grant Study Project Update	Parks Staff	C-11/19/2024	Small Stakeholder Meetings held – public meeting in January
	5	Belmont Bay Resolution	T&BC	C-11/19/2024	Resolution approved supporting Open Space Parcel 1 for waterfront PHNST
	5	Powell’s Creek Crossing	Parks Staff	C-11/19/2024	Working on Cost Sizing
	7	Dove’s Landing Design Project Update	Parks Staff	C-11/19/2024	Meetings with HOAs held for inputs on Master Plan – public meeting on January 8
	7	Stack Infrastructure Update	Parks Staff	C-11/19/2024	Significant updates on easements and trail builds between Route 28 and Saybrook
	15	Counting Bikes and Pedestrians on the Brentsville Interchange Overpass	Parks Staff	C-11/19/2024	Hundreds of bike riders; thousands of pedestrians over month
December	5	Look at Belmont Bay Golf Course	PWTSC Hike	C-12/8/2024	PHNST Route
	5	Historical Tour of Possum Point and potential spur trail for PHNST	Historical Preservation Led Tour	C-12/9/2024	Potential Park, historic site and trail spur
	4	Capital Improvement Planning and Advocacy; Sizing of projects	Planning, Transportation, and Parks Staff	12/17/2024	At T&BC meeting
	5, 10	Presentation of Powell’s Creek Crossing updates	Parks Staff	12/17/2024	Cost range
	20	Presentation of Cannon Branch Greenway Trail alignment, gaps, next steps	Parks Staff	12/17/2024	

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INSERT WHEN APPROPRIATE	1	Trail and water access opportunities associated with development applications and road projects			
	2	NCTN Map Item – Define input process for updates			Waiting for updates from Bryce
	5	High Level (year) schedule of efforts for PHNST Gaps including grants coverage and volunteer coverage	PHNST S/C		Waiting outputs from GAP Study
	6	Occoquan Greenway updates			
	9	PATC presentation on the AT to Manassas Battlefield connection; possibly a resolution to formalize an alignment at a future meeting	PATC		No response from PATC
	10	Status of Discovery-ECO Trail for a Ribbon Cutting	Landfill Staff	Signs mounted Need to fix and mark utility highway trail breakage	Waiting on Public Works plan Potential help from Colgan HS Environmental Group
	10	Powell’s Creek Crossing milestones			
	11	Presentation of Bull Run Loop Trail alignment, gaps, next steps	Parks Staff		
	12	Blueways / Water access updates	Parks Staff / Mike DePue		
	14	Ribbon cuttings in each district			
	18	Presentation of standardized and branded signage for trails	Parks Staff		Dove’s Landing signage mentioned in May.
	19	Dove’s Landing Design - updates/input opportunities			

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2024 Trails and Blueways Goals and Progress Summary

1. Explore, collect, and warehouse information about existing community trails and other “low-hanging fruit” that could be added to the county trail system without significant costs or effort. Find ways to utilize volunteers to make some of these realities. (A comprehensive county-wide trails plan, unconstrained)

RED - Some progress being made though not very visible to T&BC
2. Interface with other groups to connect our trails and planned trails to Fairfax County, Stafford County, Loudoun County, and the National Capital Region.

YELLOW - Conversations with Stafford County, Fairfax County and National Capital Region but limited follow-up
3. Encourage volunteer efforts for maintaining more PWC trails using new PWC approved methodology.

YELLOW - Volunteer program put in place; MORE and Trails Keepers making progress; need more integration with #1
4. Support and encourage PWC CIP additions for trails outside of bonds and additional trail maintenance funds.

GREEN - Recurring \$1M for trails added in 2024 – need much more to reach 2040 comprehensive plan goals.
5. Finish arranging plans and approaches for gaps in PHNST. Establish a traceable schedule to track in future years completing in 2031.

YELLOW - Approaches worked throughout year. GAP Study Delays limited progress on three major gaps. Need to establish alignments and get BOCS, DPR, NVRC, PHNST and anybody else in sync with one set of routes. Given up on a detailed schedule.
6. Encourage and track changes and updates to the Occoquan Greenway culminating in completion of this route from McCoart to Occoquan in 2025.

YELLOW - Two bridges added in 2024. Ellicott Road upgrade will not finish before 2026. Progress continues. No progress reported on section from McCoart to Lake Ridge Golf Course.
7. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of the Broad Run Greenway.

YELLOW - Reported at several meetings. Progress being made on some gaps.
8. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of the Neabsco Creek Greenway.

YELLOW - Reported at several meetings. Metz boardwalk partial completion started.
9. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of the Catharpin Creek Greenway.

YELLOW - Reported at several meetings. Some progress being made.
10. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of the Powells Creek Greenway.

RED - Reported at several meetings. Only progress is at Powell’s Creek crossing. Many other areas could advance based on social trails.
11. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of a Bull Run Loop trail in concert with Fairfax County.

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YELLOW - Reported at several meetings. Part of VRE Trail by Rail grant application. Added to Legislative agenda

12. Develop maps, plans, and approaches for one or more blueways in the county.

GREEN - Initial Survey completed and documented. Boat launch being built at Neabsco Boardwalk. Two sites part of Doves Landing design underway. Other sites being pushed.

13. Develop two prioritized lists for each district of recreational trails and bike/pedestrian trails. Get buy-in from each district's supervisor for the list.

GREEN - Completed as part of CIP funding exercise. Smaller list sent to Supervisors for 2025 CIP. Manage lists in 2025

14. Encourage at least one trails or blueways ribbon cutting in each district.

YELLOW - Multiple in Coles. Some in other districts. Need more parks/trail projects underway to have more of these.

15. Publicity / awareness of the TBC and its work

YELLOW - T&BC presence at parks and trails events; t-shirts provided – need name tags when t-shirts not appropriate. Still need more exposure.

16. Communication plan to keep Supervisors updated – formalize

GREEN - General discussions took place on best approaches and left to each member to interact with supervisors and their chief of staff. Parks emails to each district started are of good value.

17. Get more representation from the Potomac District especially since the potential for a park at Cockpit Point is coming closer

GREEN - Filled this position twice over the course of 2024. Welcome to Kimberly.

18. More signage / standardized signage

RED - Very little progress on this. Recommended mileage and wayfinding painting on shared use paths.

19. Boat launch at Sinclair Mill site (with different language)

YELLOW - Part of Dove Landing design work – progress report in January. Need focus on Long Branch crossing by developer prior to handoff of Preserve at Long Branch and Sinclair Mill sites to DPR.

20. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of the Cannon Branch Greenway

YELLOW - Added late in year as connection to Manassas City trails and Broad Run Greenway. Expect something in December.

Doves Landing Park

PROJECT UPDATE MEETING

Wednesday, January 8 | 7-9 pm

Pat White Center at Ben Lomond
10501 Copeland Drive
Manassas, VA 20109

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George Hellwig Memorial Park
Administration Building
14420 Bristow Road, Manassas 20112

DOVES LANDING PARK PROJECT UPDATE MEETING

Wednesday, January 8 | 7–9 pm

**Pat White Center at Ben Lomond
10501 Copeland Drive, Manassas, VA 20109**

Come join our kick-off meeting for the next steps in designing the facilities proposed in the 2022 Master Plan for Doves Landing Park (including Sinclair Mill). The discussion will include an overview of the master planned facilities, project timeline for design, and initial design considerations. Come meet the designers and give your feedback!

Unable to make it? Use this **Virtual Option**
Link: pwcparcs.info/dovesmeeting

Please e-mail DovesLanding@pwcgov.org
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Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2024; 6:30 PM

Attendance

District	Appointee	Present (in person)	Present (virtual)	Absent
At Large	Amy Latalladi-Fulton (VCH)	✓		
	Bill McCarty	✓		
Brentsville	Liz Cronauer (CHR)	✓		
	Catherine O'Connor	✓		
Coles	Mike DePue	✓		
	Joe Marshall (SEC)	✓		
Gainesville	Duane Martin	✓		
	Ken Johnson	✓		
Neabsco	Jason Williams	✓		
	Rich Wilson	✓		
Occoquan	Eileen Sheridan	✓		
	Neil Nelson	✓		
Potomac	Steven Cover	✓		
	Kimberly Palacios	✓		
Woodbridge	David Brickley	✓		
	Lynda Silverstrand	✓		

This is believed to be the first time all 16 T&BC members were present together at a T&BC meeting. Staff persons David Kroeger, Robert Boyd, DPR Deputy Director Janet Bartnik and DPR Director Seth Hendler-Voss were present. Patti Pakkala and Bryce Barrett attended virtually.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Liz at 6:30 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Administrative:

- November 19th T&BC minutes were approved through a motion by Lynda and seconded by Steven.

T&BC Meeting Minutes – December 17th, 2024

- Kimberly Palacios was introduced as the new Potomac District T&BC member. She talked about being in PWC for the past 5 years and her interest in Quantico Creek and its Greenway.
- No new office nominations were received for 2025 positions. A motion by Bill and seconded by Duane to elect the three nominees was passed unanimously. The 2025 officers will be
 - Chair – Liz Cronauer
 - Vice Chair – Catherine O’Connor
 - Secretary – Neil Nelson
- 2025 Meeting Dates were accepted unanimously on a motion from Bill and seconded by Duane. Dates selected are 1/28, 2/25, 3/25, 4/22, 5/27, 6/24, 7/22, 8/26, 9/23, 10/28, 11/18 and 12/16.
- Robert Boyd will update member contact information on the website and create a new list for T&BC members to use.
- New T&BC members are eligible to receive a T&BC Shirt. Please contact Janet with your size.
- Liz discussed a review of T&BC bylaws and asked everyone to review them and submit to Janet any potential changes. It was asked when we will update our rules to match the latest state direction on virtual access to meetings. We have to wait until such changes are rolled out to the BOCS and then we can copy their procedures.

Citizen’s Time.

- Russell Bryant thanked DPR for their work on the Neabsco Boardwalk boat launch and Blackburn ADA parking. He recommended that T&BC members talk to their supervisors to reprogram the \$200M for the sports center toward parks and trails.

County Agency Representatives

PWC Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR). Seth Hendler-Voss, Janet Bartnik, Patti Pakkala, David Kroeger, Robert Boyd

- DPR Director Seth Hendler-Voss attended the T&BC meeting and thanked the T&BC for their active role in engaging, advocating and sharing information that has led to tangible results. He singled out Janet for her attention and steady leadership leading to the DPR making more progress, generating interest from the BOCS and gaining board approvals. Their recent focus has been on completing 2019 Bond projects on time. He would like to get more western county trails funded and grow popular programs to meet demand. When asked about our challenges with landfill trails and their new management, he said he expects these will be worked out together. He was also questioned about the PHNST and Cockpit Point which caused him to mention the need for sustainable funding for parks and trails where he hoped the T&BC could continue to advocate.
- Seth announced that the State of the Parks community meeting will be held January 30th at Colgan High School which he hopes will have more casual users present.
- David reported:
 - Planning staff is mapping county trails with high-accuracy GPS as part of the trails Master Plan update. In addition, staff is photographing and collect data on trail access points, trail amenities, trail signage, and trail crossings. David expects it to take 4-6 months, and it will include some social trails. T&BC members are welcome to contact David to accompany him on any of his “hikes” collecting data.
 - The GIS analyst position will be open until December 23. We encourage members to share this information.
 - Dove’s Landing Park project update and community meeting will take place Wednesday January 8. 7-9 PM. Pat White Center at Ben Lomond 10501 Copeland Dr., Manassas, VA

20109. It is important that those who support the canoe/kayak launches be present at that meeting.

- PHNST Gap Study. We hope to have the next and final stakeholder meetings in early February.
- Occoquan Greenway. Segment 2 bridge replacement is complete.
- Staff continue to finalize grant documents for the extension of the boardwalk at Metz Wetlands Bank. They hope to begin construction by next summer.
- Staff continue to work on equestrian trail improvements at Valley View Park – this work will include parking lot improvements and a new trail segment from the parking lot.
- Ellis Barron Park improvements are in final design – these upgrades will include the County’s first futsal courts, tennis and basketball court upgrades and new fitness facilities, new pavilions, and new walkways/sidewalks/and trails connecting the two sides of the park to the adjacent sidewalks and pedestrian crossings.

PWC Transportation. Bryce Barrett

- The data from the trail counter on the Brentsville interchange pedestrian-bike bridge has been partially distributed. Janet will send it to all T&BC members for their reference.
- Bryce was asked about the major construction taking place near Sudley Road and Godwin Drive. He thought that might be Manassas adding a 3rd lane to Sudley Road in the vicinity.

PWC Planning, Yolanda Hipski

- No Report.

Community Development Applications

- None.

Presentations/Reports.

Meeting of HWES Boards, Councils and Commissions, Liz Cronauer

- Liz attended an initial meeting of the heads of the (citizen) T&BC, Parks and Recreation, Sustainability, Aging, and Housing boards, councils, and commissions. Focus on common barriers led to discussions of the FOIA restrictions, funding and resources, enhancing communication with the BOCS. It was also brought up that the different groups are potential players to share resolutions and goals, such as Parks and Recreation. The Deputy County Executive recommended that representatives are onboard with their supervisors’ ideas.

Trail Priorities with Costs, Janet Bartnik

- Janet reported on working through the T&BC priorities from the previous meetings. DPR and Transportation have been working together and identified a priority that appears to fit the \$1M in funding received this year. This will be adding/expanding a shared use path on a section of Dawson Beach Road from the Occoquan Bay NWR toward Route 1. The exact end point was not reported. This should be shovel ready and can start in the next quarter.
- Janet and the DPR team have been reviewing other priorities and doing a lot of work behind the scenes to come up with some level of planning numbers for the other priorities for all the districts. It was mentioned that she shouldn’t wait for all the projects to be sized before sharing some of the project numbers.

Goal Summary and Updates for 2025, Joe Marshall

- Attached to these minutes are three elements of the goals that Joe has been tracking. First, a month by month listing of activities that are supporting each of the 20 goals for 2024. Second, a summary of each goal and a RED/YELLOW/GREEN rating on how well this goal was completed. RED and YELLOW are not negative reports, they just show that more effort is needed toward a goal, or the goal changed during the year.
- The third element is a list of goals for 2025. These were discussed at the meeting and several changes and additions were made. An updated list with changes from the original list is attached. T&BC members should send any updates to Joe and Janet. The resulting 2025 goals list will be presented at the January meeting.

Organization Representatives' Time

Greater Prince William Trails Coalition (GPWTC). Eileen Sheridan

- The next GPWTC quarterly meeting will be at 10 AM on January 23, 2025, at the Science Center in Belmont Bay. The City of Manassas transportation plan will be presented as well as work on additions to the Aspirational Trails map.

Prince William Trails & Streams Coalition (PWTSC). Neil Nelson

- The Second Sunday hike in December around Belmont Bay was held with a turnout of over 20 people.
- The first day hike on January 1st will be at Doves Landing Park at 1 PM.

Mid Atlantic Off-Road Enthusiasts (MORE). Jason Williams

- Minor updates to trails occurred in Andrew Leitch Park. On one section they pulled up old boards and put down stone.
- Rich and Jason were named Trail Builders of the Year by the local Free Masons lodge. They are in the running for the state award.

Trails Keepers. Catherine O'Connor

- They are working with Bryce on the survey for the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan.

Members' Time:

- Amy:
 - Amy reported on the bad traffic created near the Neabsco Boardwalk light show.
- Bill:
 - Bill talked about the first day hike at Dove's Landing. He described his trip to hike the Redwoods and saw three trees over 400 years old. He suggested marking the best trees in the county. Patty responded that there is a Champion Tree Layer in the County GIS Mapper.
- Catherine:
 - No report.
- David:
 - David said that a January meeting of the PHNST subcommittee is needed and will be set shortly.
- Duane:
 - Duane mentioned that the Dove Landing Park map is damaged and needs refreshing. He said that the park has gained in Equestrian usage.

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- Eileen:
 - No report.
- Jason:
 - Jason described the recent fundraiser of the PW Park Foundation. After a donation of year-end funds from Supervisor Gordy, they are still about \$50k short of raising the money they need for completing Pump Track at Rollins Ford Park.
- Joe:
 - Joe reported that he scanned and sent to Janet the old Prince William County Parks Master Plan from 1993 he displayed in November. He also found a Parks Inventory from 1992 and a PHNST State of the Trail report from 2002.
 - He asked about a chart being presented at the BOCS meeting that day that mentioned a trail going along Catharpin Creek under Route 15. It did not mention the land acquisition required.
 - Joe recounted hiking the Green Circle trail around Winchester at Thanksgiving. He highlighted a section of the trail through Shawnee Springs that was made with glass beads. He wondered if DPR could use the glass from the landfill when it needed a trail cover.
- Ken:
 - No Report.
- Kimberly:
 - No Report
- Liz:
 - No Report.
- Lynda:
 - No Report.
- Mike:
 - No Report.
- Neil:
 - The next cleanup will occur on March 1st.
- Rich:
 - No Report.
- Steven:
 - Steven talked about a Cockpit Point revisit.
 - He also talked about focusing on Braemer.

Meeting Recap:

Next meeting agenda items:

- Please get any agenda items to Liz, Catherine or Neil by January 14th, especially if they require some work by the Parks staff to respond to.

Next meetings:

- At Hellwig: Full T&BC – January 28 at 6:30 PM.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM based on motion by Steve, seconded by Rich.



PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

Trails and Blueways Council

PHNST Subcommittee Work Session Notes

January 22, 2025, at 2:00pm

Hellwig Administration Building

14420 Bristow Road, Manassas

1. Call to Order – David Brickley, Eileen Sheridan, Neil Nelson, Joe Marshall, Kimberly Palacios, and Liz Cronauer were present. Staff present – Yolanda Hipski, Janet Bartnik, David Kroeger, and Robert Boyd.

2. PHNST Gap Analysis Notes

Gaps 19 & 20:

David Brickley shared a letter he had written to ask a homeowner to consider meeting with him about the PHNST alignment near 123 & 95. No response has been received. The group discussed options for alignments remaining.

Keeping the trail along 123 is not scenic and involves high speed traffic. Occoquan Road was suggested as a preferable alignment to 123. In the 123/95 improvements VDOT is reviewing, it was noted that to get to the park & ride, a pedestrian must traverse a grade change.

The consultant is reviewing the interchange improvements as a part of the Gap Study. Discussion of a future Rt. 1 crossing of the Occoquan is not likely to be considered a PHNST segment by Fairfax, as that is NOVA Parks. For long range planning purposes, PWC could push for an alignment east along the river in Fairfax to an eastern crossing near Belmont.

PWC could consider how to create a destination for cyclists in north Woodbridge in the area of the North Woodbridge small area plan. Could the commuter lot be used as a trailhead on weekends?

Destination Place developer indicated that they were following the comp plan (sidewalks) at the civic association community meeting. Suggested that we consider being careful about which lines we show on the comp plan map so that we can best direct developers.

Destination Place's property has much land that is not buildable (RPA). Latest revision of the development plan includes a proffer proposal to dedicate a 20' easement with the condition that the County build the trail within 20 years. Comments are being crafted now. They will be reviewed by the planning office reviewer and county attorney's office.

The Gap Study preliminary report is due for public review February 12 at 1pm. This is an opportunity to give feedback on findings. It is intended that the final report delivered in April will be the most feasible route as the situation is today, and the final alignment could be something different depending on how conditions change over time.

Belmont Bay:

The development proposed appears to be moving forward as planned.

Featherstone:

The project is moving along, although stalled for weather and a delay in signing on a bridge manufacturer. Staff is working through the bridge issue. There is a small gap between the end of the Featherstone trail and the VRE station through the gas easement to the VRE station ramp. Staff is working through that issue.

Metz Wetland Boardwalk Extension:

In review with the state prior to bid advertisement.

Powell's Creek Crossing:

Concept C2 of the crossing was selected. Next steps for the project were shared with the group. More info will be shared once the BOCS Chair has been briefed.

Potomac Shores:

No construction yet on the developer's side. Staff provided review comments on the site plan submitted by the developer. Staff is working with the developer through the Powell's Creek Crossing project.

Inform consultant is working with Potomac Shores on the approach to the Crossing. Planning team staff is involved in the work on the proffered subdivision trails, including the potential for an extra connection to the overlook not included in the original plans.

Dumfries Gaps:

Robert sent Liz a link to add input into the comp plan feedback portal for the Town of Dumfries before the link expired.

Joe Marshall connected with the National Parks Conservation Alliance (NPCA) about the architectural study needed for the W-R Route in the national park. It was suggested that we connect with Vindman.

Gap Study findings and preliminary report due for public review February 20 at 1pm.

A meeting for staff has been scheduled in late February for the Town, County, and Dominion to share updates on various projects in the Dumfries area. The goal is to ensure coordination and seamless project delivery.

3. Adjourn

Next PHNST Subcommittee meeting was set for February 26 at 3:00pm.

Prince William County
TRAILS AND BLUEWAYS COUNCIL

Advisors to the Board of County Supervisors

MOTION: person 1

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SECOND: person 2

Regular Meeting

Res. No. 25-x

RE: FUNDING FOR THE FLAT BRANCH GREENWAY TRAIL FROM SUDLEY ROAD TO SPLASH DOWN WATERPARK AND BULL RUN.

ACTION:

WHEREAS, The Trails and Blueways Council passed Resolution No. 23-3 in May of 2023 with recommendations for improvements to the design of a proposed shared use path along the proposed Route 28 Bypass in Flat Branch Stream Valley between Sudley Road and Bull Run, and

WHEREAS, The Prince William County Department of Transportation has been requested to draft a motion to cancel the Route 28 Bypass project which would result in approximately \$92,392,000 in transportation funding made available to other projects, and

WHEREAS, The Prince William County Trails Plan, which was adopted by the Board in the Mobility Chapter of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan, includes a Greenway with a trail in the Flat Branch Stream Valley in the area where the road was to be built, and

WHEREAS, The City of Manassas plans to construct a bike trail along Godwin Blvd ending at Sudley Road (its boundary with Prince William County) providing connectivity to many city destinations, and

WHEREAS, The construction of a stream valley trail in Flat Branch between Sudley Road and Bull Run Regional Park would provide numerous benefits to the people who live in the nearby neighborhoods, which include equity emphasis areas, and

WHEREAS, Those benefits include access to healthful passive recreation opportunities for hiking and cycling in wooded and open spaces, for residents in the vicinity and,

WHEREAS, Those benefits also include bike and pedestrian access between the various neighborhoods as well as access to the athletic fields and trails at Ben Lomond Regional Park, Fairmont Park, Manassas and Manassas Park destinations, the facilities at Splash Down Water Park, and the Bull Run Greenway Trail, which will connect from Ben Lomond to the Manassas Battlefield Park as well as future connections to trails on the Fairfax county side of Bull Run, and

WHEREAS, Some social trails already exist in the area and these could be opened quickly until a larger, more complete project can go through design and construction,

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, in the event that the Board chooses to cancel the Route 28 Bypass project, the Trails and Blueways Council recommends that the Board allocate sufficient funding from the Route 28 Bypass budget for design and construction of the Flat Branch Greenway Trail and all necessary supporting infrastructure to provide connections to adjacent neighborhoods and park facilities between Sudley Road and Bull Run, and ultimately transfer affected State-owned right of way property currently targeting the Route 28 Bypass to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Votes:

Ayes: n

Nays: n

Absent from Vote (virtual only): n

Absent from Meeting: n

SIGNED: _____
Chair, Prince William Trails and Blueways Council

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Proposed 2025 Trails and Blueways Goals – Themed w/Work Plan

GOAL: **Plan the Trails and Blueways System**

2025 ACTIONS:

1. Develop the comprehensive County-Wide Trails Master Plan prescribed in the Prince William County 2040 Comprehensive Plan including examination of possible for trail connections for areas that are designated for significant residential development or for transportation-oriented improvements.
2. Explore, collect, and warehouse information about existing community trails and other “low-hanging fruit” that could be added to the county trail system without significant costs or effort. Find ways to utilize volunteers to make some of these realities.
3. Finish arranging plans and approaches for gaps in PHNST. Establish alignments and get BOCS, DPR, NVRC, PHNST and other stakeholders in sync with one set of routes. Special focus on the Occoquan to Belmont Bay gap, the Dumfries Quantico Creek gap and Greenway and the PWFP to Locust Shade Park gap
4. Work toward standardized signage both on recreational and bike-ped trails.

GOAL: **Advocate for Trails Funding and Support**

2025 ACTIONS:

5. Maintain two prioritized lists for each district of recreational trails/blueways and bike/pedestrian/equestrian trails. One list for CIP projects and another for smaller, short term projects to be used for funding prioritization.
6. Support and encourage PWC CIP additions for trails outside of bonds and additional trail maintenance funds. Look for other funding opportunities. Work for at least \$5M in trail maintenance/improvement funding for FY2026.
7. Attend presentations to the BOCS at public meetings as appropriate
8. Insert T&BC bike-ped concerns and rec trail connections as appropriate into Transportation Road designs throughout the concept and early design process.
9. Advocate for completing missing sections and updating of recreational trails, shared use path connects and blueway elements in the Parks and Open Space Master Plan in the Mobility Section of the County Comprehensive Plan while it is being updated to include elements from the County Sustainability Plan.
10. Stay abreast of, evaluate, and provide information as appropriate, to Supervisors on rezonings for trail and blueway concerns.
11. Encourage TBC members to attend BOCS work sessions and hearings to advocate for increased trails and blueways funding.
12. Create an onboarding package for new members

GOAL: **Increase Awareness and Engage the Community**

2025 ACTIONS:

13. Interface and collaborate with other groups including PWC advisory bodies (e.g. Parks and Recreation Commission) and citizen groups (e.g. GWPTC, Active PW, PWTSC, East Coast Greenway) to connect our trails and planned trails (e.g. PHNST, Bull Run Loop, I-66 Trail, VRE Trail by Rail) to Manassas, Manassas Park, Dumfries, Haymarket, Occoquan, Fairfax County, Stafford County, Loudoun County, and the National Capital Region.
14. Encourage at least one trails or blueways ribbon cutting in each district, e.g. Neabsco Boardwalk Kayak Launch Site

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15. Publicity / awareness of the TBC and its work including magnetic nametags for all members and occasional exposure on DPR social media
16. Work with DPR, state historic and county historic preservation to mark, develop and/or highlight trails connected to the 250th anniversary and celebrations from 2026 to 2032 with special focus on Washington and Rochambeau's marches through Prince William County to and from Yorktown.
17. Encourage volunteer efforts for maintaining more PWC trails using new PWC approved methodology. Report on progress and gaps needing maintenance.

GOAL: **Identify Gaps and Approaches to Specific Trails & Blueways**

2025 ACTIONS:

18. Track changes and updates to the Occoquan Greenway culminating in completion of this route from McCoart to Occoquan in 2026.
19. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of:
 - a. Broad Run Greenway.
 - b. Neabsco Creek Greenway.
 - c. Catharpin Creek Greenway.
 - d. Powells Creek Greenway.
 - e. Cannon Branch Greenway.
 - f. Flat Branch Greenway.
 - g. Bull Run Loop trail in concert with Fairfax County.
20. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches for more blueways across the county starting with Neabsco, Long Branch, Sinclair Mill and Cockpit Point sites.
21. Consider interpretive panels at Neabsco Creek kayak launch illustrating the quasi-functional port history of the area.

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PROPOSED 2025 Work Plan / Monthly Meeting Targets

WHEN	WHAT	WHO	GOAL #
January 22	PHNST Subcommittee Meeting	PHNST Subcommittee	3
January 23	GPWTC meeting	Staff/TBC	13
January 28	Resolution 25-1 – Flat Branch Greenway Support	TBC	6, 19f
January 28	Planning Director Welcome	TBC	13
January 28	Vint Hill Corridor Study	TBC	10
January 28	Trail Priorities with Costs	Staff	5, 6
January 28	County-wide Trails Master Plan - process presentation	Staff	1, 20
February	PHNST Gap Study Report Delivery – Gap #1 on 12 th and Gap #2 & #3 on 20 th	Consultant	3
February 11	BOCS Presentation: Proposed FY 2026 CIP	OMB Staff	6, 7
February 18	BOCS Presentation: Proposed FY 2026 Operating Budget	OMB Staff	6, 7
February 25	Review of Proposed FY 2026 Budget & CIP	Staff	6, 7
February 25	Bike Ped Infrastructure on 234 Bypass interchange projects	Staff	8
February 25	Cannon Branch Greenway Update	Staff	19e
February 25	County-wide Trails Master Plan – Work Session Item TBD	Staff	1, 20
March TBD	Neabsco Creek Kayak Launch Ribbon Cutting	All	14
March 18	BOCS: Initial Public Hearing on FY 2026 Budget	TBC	6, 7
March 25	Magnetic Name Tags	Staff	15
March 25	Strategize Use of Efforts to Mark 250 th	HP Staff?	16
April 1	BOCS Presentation: PWCS Proposed FY 2026 Budget	PWCS staff	6, 7
April 8	BOCS Presentation: Budget Recap, Public Hearings on Budget and Tax Rates & Fees	CXO	6, 7
April 15	BOCS FY 2026 Budget Mark-Up	BOCS	6, 7
April 22	BOCS Adoption of FY 2026 Budget	BOCS	6, 7
April 22	Broad Run Greenway Corridor Update (parcel assemblage)	Staff	19a
April 22	Review of Final FY 2026 Budget and CIP	Staff	6, 7
April 22	County-wide Trails Master Plan – Work Session Item TBD	Staff	1, 20
May TBD	County-wide Trails Master Plan – Public Meeting	Staff	1, 20
May 27	Project Coordination MOU with PWW	Janet	
May 27	Neabsco Greenway Project Update (Thomas Duvall)	Staff	19b
June 24	Onboarding Package for New TBC Members	TBC/Janet	12
June 24	Brainstorm potential CIP projects for FY 2027	TBC	5, 6

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June 24	Vint Hill Corridor Study Update	Staff	10
June 24	Powell’s Creek Crossing Project Update	Staff	3
July 22	County-wide Trails Master Plan – Work Session Item TBD	Staff	1, 20
July 22	Discuss ideas for trails that can be added to the system without significant cost/mtnc (volunteers?)	TBC/Staff	2
July 22	Strategize – Encourage Volunteer Efforts for maintaining more PWC trails	TBC/Staff	17
August 26	Occoquan Greenway Project Update (Ed)	Staff	18
August 26	Finalize FY 2027 CIP Project Wish Lists with Projected Costs (from June brainstorm)	TBC/Staff	5, 6
September 23	Goal Completion Target – CIP Project Priorities for Advocacy	TBC	
September 23	Follow Up on America 250 – if needed	Staff	16
August 26	County-wide Trails Master Plan – Work Session Item TBD	Staff	1, 20
October TBD	County-wide Trails Master Plan – Public Meeting #2	Staff	1, 20
October 28			
November 18	Officer Elections Nominations	TBC	NA
November 18			
December 16	Annual Bylaws Review	TBC	NA
December 16	Officer Elections	TBC	NA
December 16	County-wide Trails Master Plan – Work Session Item TBD	Staff	1, 20
Other Items	Regular communication with Supervisors - ongoing	TBC	5-11
Other Items	Rezoning Application Discussions - ongoing	Staff/TBC	10
Other Items	Interpretive Panels relating port history of Neabsco Creek	Staff	21