

US 90 Multi-Use Trail Feasibility Study

The **US 90 Multi-Use Trail Feasibility Study** is underway by the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA). The study examines the feasibility of constructing a paved 10 to 12-foot multi-use trail along US 90 from Pedrick Road in Tallahassee to the Monticello Bike Trail in Monticello. A multi-use trail is a valuable recreational asset to the community. It provides a wide protected area for a variety of activities, including cycling, running, jogging, and walking, and accommodates users of all ages.

This project is being conducted in two phases:

- o Phase 1: Feasibility Study began in October 2019
- Phase 2: Public Engagement beginning in early 2021

Project Limits

Pedrick Road (western limit – Leon County) to existing Monticello Bike Trail (eastern limit – Jefferson County)

Length of Project

This project is approximately **21 miles** in length.

Project Goals

- Safety Provide a safe, continuous multimodal facility between Tallahassee and Monticello;
- Regional Connectivity Expand upon the growing SUNTrails Regional Trail Network;
- Multimodal & Accessibility Provide new alternative transportation opportunities for residents, businesses, and visitors along the US 90 corridor; and
- o **Economic Development** Spur economic development and activity.

Existing Conditions on US 90

Roadway

- Urban four-lane bidirectional with median from Pedrick Road to east of Summit Lake Drive
- Transitions to a rural two-lane bidirectional with paved shoulders from Summit Lake Drive to Monticello Courthouse
- On-street parking east of entering Monticello city limits
- Speed limit varies between 35 MPH and 55 MPH

Bicycle & Pedestrian

- ADA compliant sidewalk from Pedrick Road to I-10 Interchange on both sides of corridor
- Non-ADA compliant sidewalk begins at Crooked Creek Lane in Monticello on south side of corridor
- 5-foot on-street designated bicycle lanes from Pedrick Road to east of Summit Lake Drive



Right-of-way Availability

Right-of-way along US 90 appears to be sufficient for accommodating a multi-use trail on at least one side of the corridor. No right-of-way acquisition is expected at this time. Access to properties along the corridor is expected to be maintained.

Opportunities for Connectivity

The US 90 Multi-Use Trail would provide connectivity between Tallahassee and Monticello, and allow users to access existing trails and routes, such as the Monticello Bike Trail and existing bicycle facilities within Leon County. This will allow for connectivity between Jefferson County, Leon County, and Wakulla County through the regional trail network.

Project Considerations

Through this feasibility study, several elements associated with existing conditions and the future trail are being evaluated and considered. Some project considerations of note include the following:

- <u>Limited number of crossings</u> In order to promote safety and provide a facility that is continuous and connected, the trail should remain on the same side of the corridor for as long as possible to limit the number of trail crossings on US 90. Maintaining the trail on one side of the corridor allows users to remain on the trail with few safety obstacles or concerns.
- <u>Crepe myrtles</u> Crepe myrtles are located on either side of the corridor along the entirety of the project area. They have taken on a historical and cultural significance, and while not formally protected, impacts to these trees will be avoided as appropriate.
- Locations of note Along the project area, there are some locations where design alternatives will need to be considered to accommodate a trail. These locations include the I-10 interchange, Lake Miccosukee, and businesses along the corridor. While a trail can be successfully integrated alongside these features and locations, creative design opportunities will be sought to ensure safety and comfort of trail users while maintaining existing traffic operations.

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