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COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM 5 A

US 90 WEST TRAIL FEASIBILITY STUDY

TYPE OF ITEM: Presentation/Discussion/Action

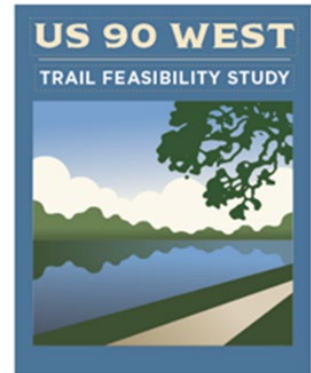
STATEMENT OF ISSUE

[The CRTPA's US 90 West Trail Feasibility Study](#) has been completed. The project evaluated the feasibility of constructing a multiuse trail along US 90 from Chattahoochee east to SR 12 in Quincy in Gadsden County.

An update on the project was most recently provided to the CRTPA Board at the May 2026 CRTPA meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Option 1: Recommend the CRTPA approve the US 90 West Trail Feasibility Study.



LATEST INFORMATION

Subsequent to the May 2026 CRTPA Board meeting project update, the following activities have occurred related to the project:

- **Public meetings** were conducted on Wednesday, June 17 (Chattahoochee City Hall) and Thursday, June 18 (Gadsden County Commission Chambers, Quincy) to present information on the project and provide citizens an opportunity to provide comments. Additionally, a final stakeholders meeting was conducted on August 13. A summary of public involvement efforts may be found by [clicking here](#).
- A **Feasibility Report** has been developed providing a summary of data collection, field visits, public and stakeholder input, alternatives development, and identified alternatives. The report, located on the project page, may be directly accessed by [clicking here](#).

BACKGROUND

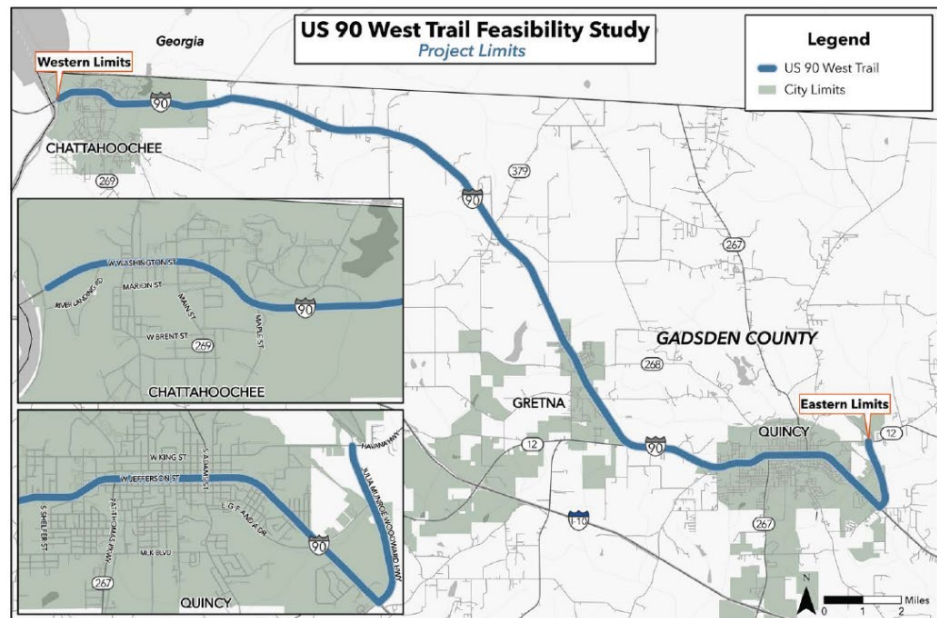
In late 2024, the CRTPA was awarded SUN Trail funding to conduct a feasibility study for a trail along US 90 in Gadsden County. This award followed the CRTPA's successful grant application for the project, which is included on the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's [Land Trail Priority Network](#).

The feasibility study evaluated a trail along US 90 extending from the western limits of the City of Chattahoochee to the eastern limits of the City of Quincy. The approximately 22-mile corridor spans from the Jackson County line west of Chattahoochee to SR 12 at the Quincy Bypass/Julia Munroe Woodward Highway (SR 269) east of Quincy, as shown on the map to the right.

The study provides an important step in the westward expansion of the CRTPA region's multiuse trail system. Ultimately, the construction of the US 90 West Trail will enhance connectivity to both existing and planned trails currently under development. For residents along the corridor, the trail will provide a safe, multimodal connection linking communities throughout Gadsden County. Additionally, given the trail's length, the facility is expected to attract visitors from outside the region, supporting enhanced economic development within the Capital Region.

The process of developing a multiuse trail often includes challenges, primarily due to the limited availability of right of way. This challenge is particularly true in the urban areas of US 90 as existing corridors are often constrained by adjacent development, utilities, roadways, and other infrastructure, leaving little space to accommodate a safe and continuous trail facility.

As a result of these challenges, potential trail alignments for the project identified options near US 90, particularly near both ends of the trail in downtown Quincy and Chattahoochee.



STORYMAP

An interactive project [StoryMap](#) (shown below on the right) was developed to provide information on the project timeline and illustrate the project's regional connectivity, including its connections to existing and planned multi-use trail projects throughout the region.



EXISTING CONDITIONS REPORT

One of the initial tasks associated with the study was the development of an [Existing Conditions Report](#). The report documents existing conditions along the corridor, including potential issues to be addressed as the project moves forward. Also included in the report are the study's goals, *shown to the right*.

Additionally, the report provides detailed information related to the land uses along the project's corridor as well as information related to the presence of driveways, preliminary right of way availability, wetlands, flood zones, historical and cultural resources, and wildlife species along the corridor.

PROJECT GOALS

- Enhance Safety for All Users
- Establish Continuous Multimodal Connectivity from Chattahoochee to Quincy
- Provide alternative transportation and recreational opportunities for residents, businesses, and visitors along the US 90 corridor in Gadsden County
- Expand the SUN Trails Regional Network in the Capital Region
- Enhance Economic Development and Tourism

FEASIBILITY REPORT

In August, the Feasibility Report for the study was completed and is located on the [project page](#). The report provides information related to the identified alternatives for the trail. As detailed in the report, the proposed route primarily follows US 90 with identified local alternatives in constrained areas of the corridor including Quincy and Chattahoochee. Additionally, the report includes planning level costs associated with future phases.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Initial stakeholder engagement activities began in Summer 2025 and included meetings with local government representatives along the corridor.

A pop-up meeting was held in Chattahoochee in March 2026, coinciding with a downtown event.

In June 2026, public meetings were held at both ends of the project corridor: in Chattahoochee on June 17 and in Quincy on June 18.

A final stakeholder meeting was conducted on August 13, 2026, updating stakeholders on the project, including potential trail alternatives, as well as next steps associated with construction of a trail on US 90.

NEXT STEPS

Following completion and approval of the study, funding to advance the project to the next Phase (Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study will be sought (*below*).

