



CANOSIA TOWNSHIP TRAILS PLAN



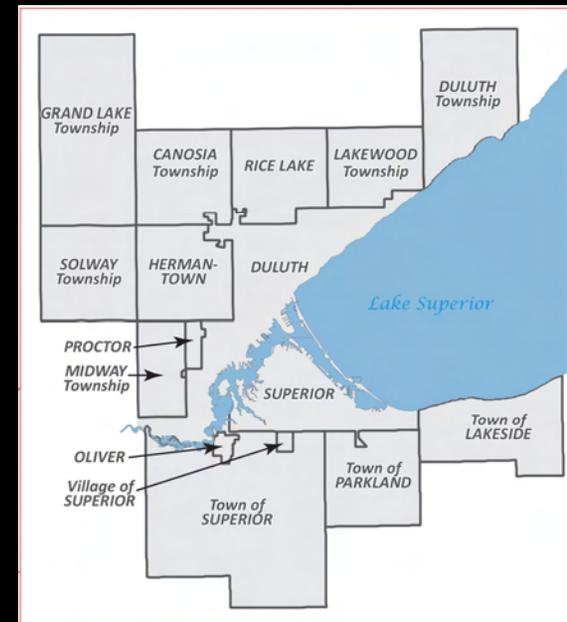
AGENDA

- The MIC
- How The Trails Plan Started
- Why a Trails Plan?
- Existing Trails
- Initial Ideas
- Survey
- Next Steps

DULUTH/SUPERIOR MIC



- The MIC, as a designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), provides guidance and leadership on transportation and land use planning issues in the Duluth-Superior metropolitan planning area.
- The MIC conducts studies, develops plans, models traffic and the transportation system, and programs projects for federal funding in the metropolitan area.
- Bike and pedestrian related planning :
 - BPAC (Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee)
 - Metropolitan Bike and Pedestrian planning and mapping
 - Proctor, Duluth Township, and other Bike Plans



HOW THE TRAILS PLAN STARTED

- *Comprehensive Plan 2014*
 - “Explore options for providing walking and bicycling routes within the Township with focus on connecting Four Corners/Pike Lake/school/recreation area to residential areas. Options may include lanes alongside roads and separate trail corridors.”
 - “Seek assistance to conduct an assessment of possible routes for biking and walking trails throughout the township.”

Need	Percent
Walking / bicycling / rollerblading lanes along roads.	37.1%
Connections to regional motorized trail systems.	25.6%
Connections to regional non-motorized trail systems.	21.2%
Upgrade Pike Lake boat access.	16.8%
Upgrade Caribou Lake access at Holly Lane.	15.9%
Develop recreational facilities at another location in township.	5.8%
More facilities at town recreation facility.	4.9%

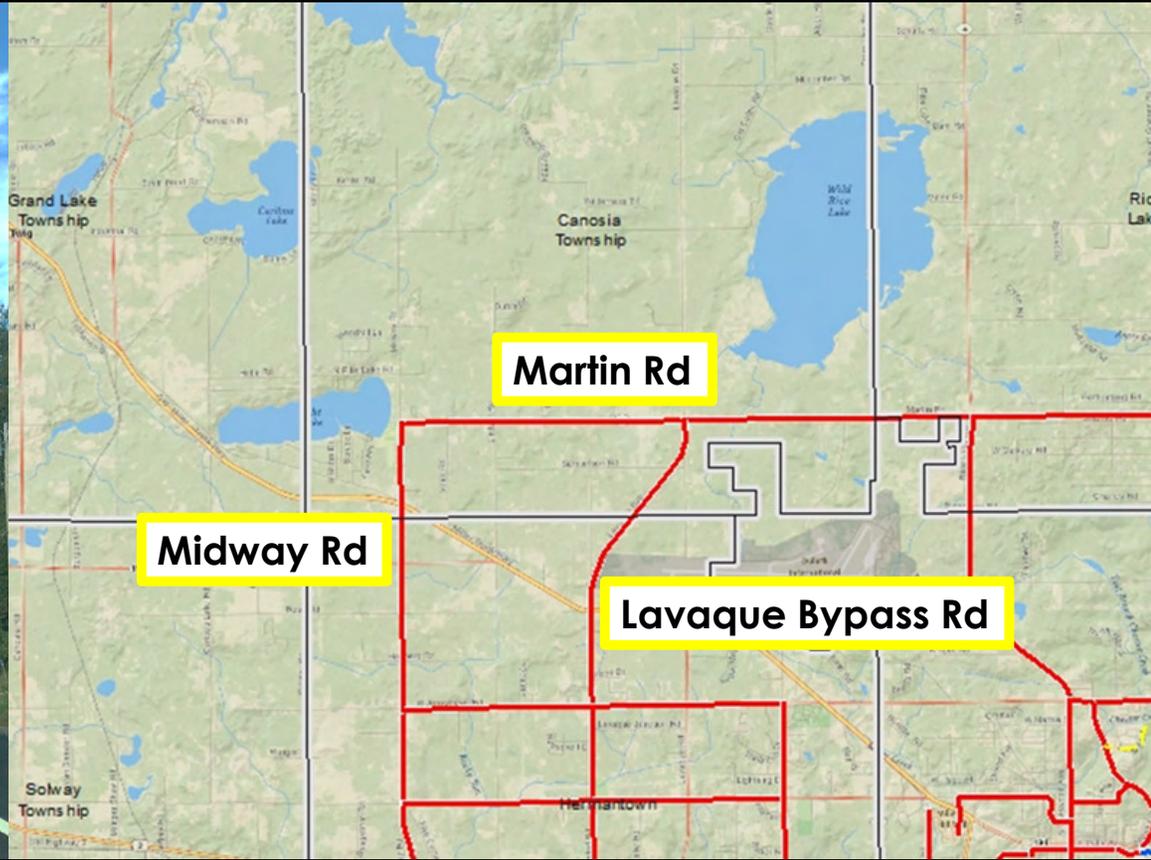
WHY A TRAILS PLAN?

- A trails plan is a community's guidebook on how to develop a trail network
- Will show priorities and preferences on trail types and locations
- Could help in securing funding for trail improvements and construction of new trails
- Tells other jurisdictions of the townships desires in future roadway planning and design



METROPOLITAN BIKEWAYS

Martin Rd

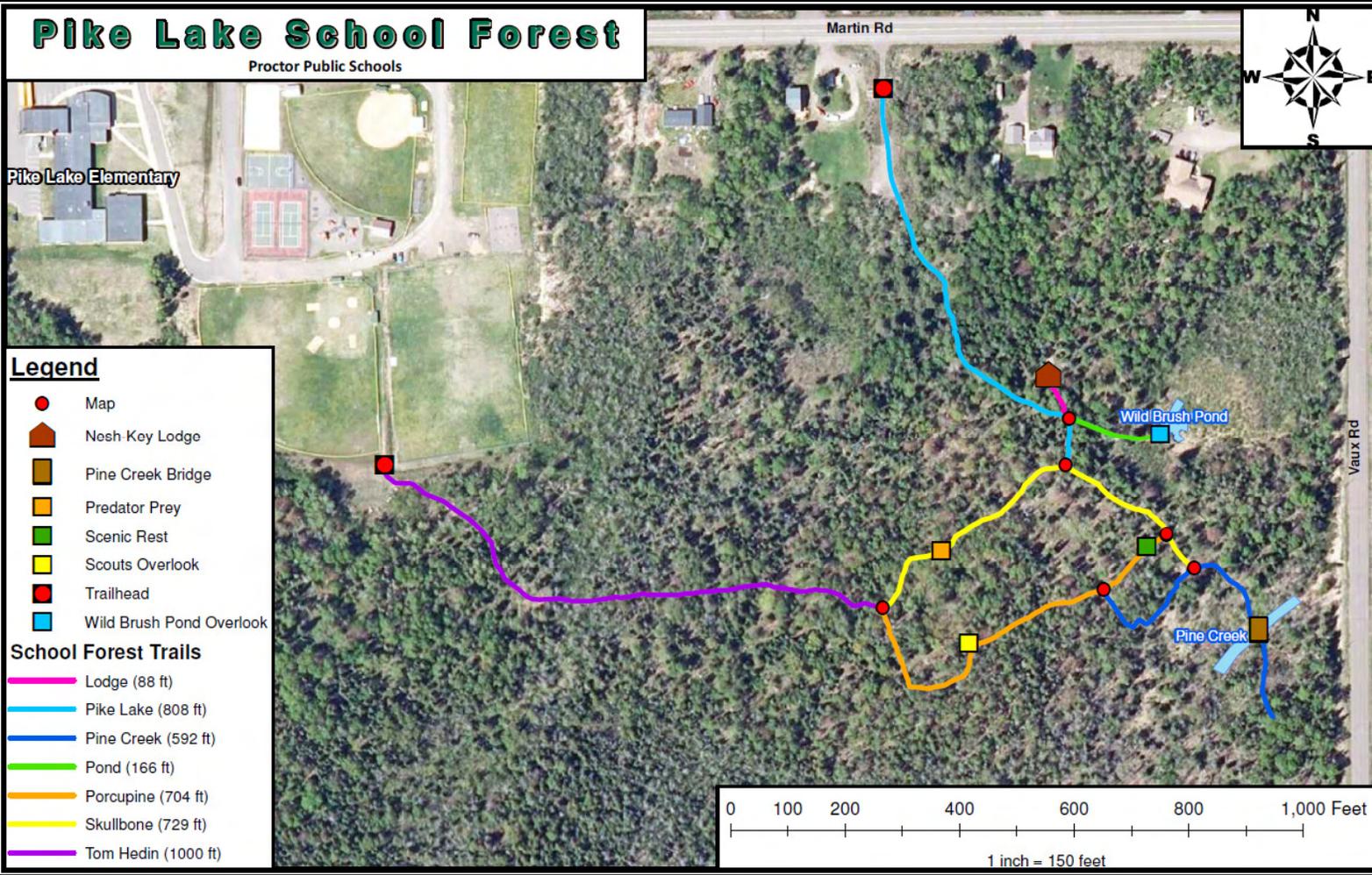


Martin Rd

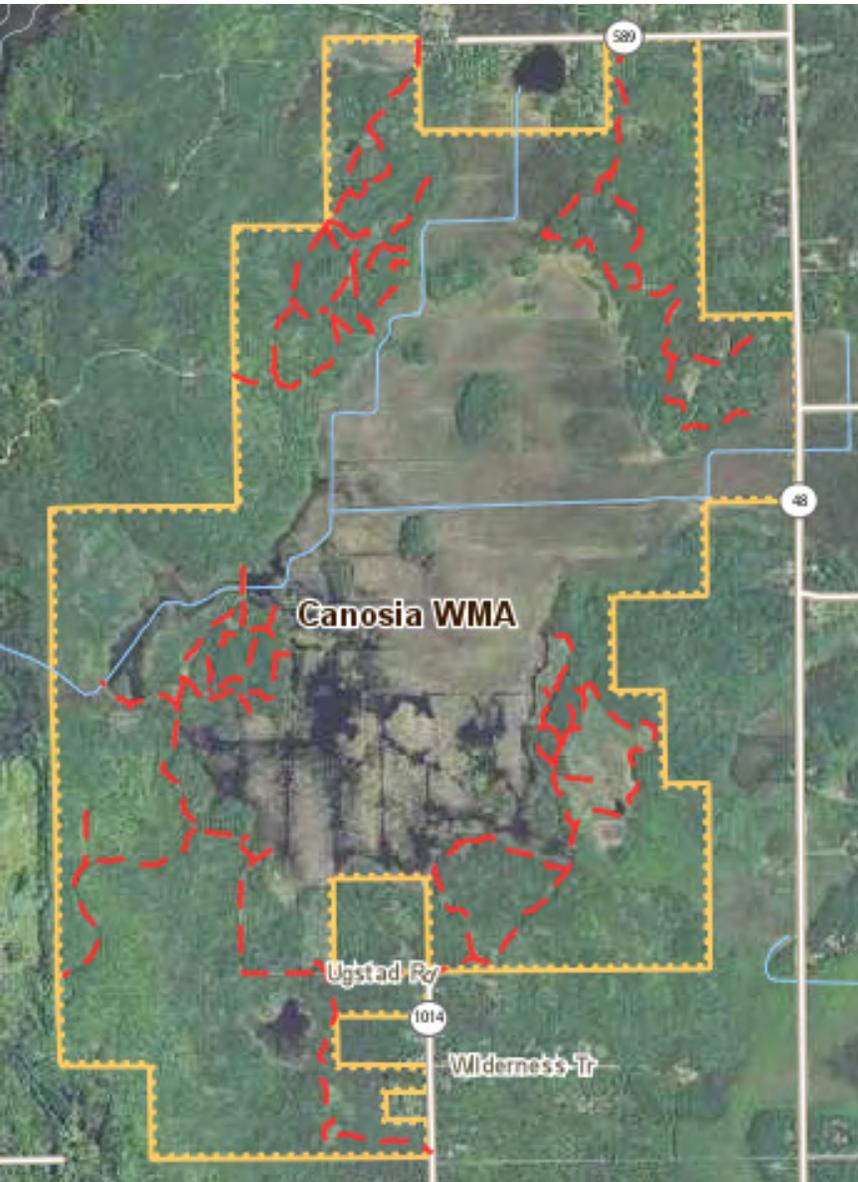
Midway Rd

Lavaque Bypass Rd

SCHOOL FOREST TRAIL



CANOSIA WMA TRAILS





IDEAS

- Vision Statement
 - “Our vision is to develop a multi-use, recreational, non-motorized trail system connecting key areas primarily within Canosia Township, with the potential to connect to existing or future trails in the surrounding communities.”
- Goals
 - Connect all four township lakes (Pike, Caribou, Fish and Wild Rice)
 - Connect Canosia Township Recreation Area at Pike Lake School to the Hermantown Schools/future Munger Spur Trail/future Essentia Health Regional Wellness Center
 - Better connection to the 4 Corners business district
 - Look at existing Canosia Township and other publicly owned land for trails
 - Make existing trails better known
 - And more (full list in survey)



SURVEY

- <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/canosiatrails>
- The survey has 12 questions on your households current trail usage and potential future wants/needs.
- Survey Closes November 4th 2016



NEXT STEPS

- Collect and summarize survey
- Examine and define preliminary corridors and destinations
- Develop a draft plan
- Public review of draft plan
- Make final changes
- Present final draft to boards and commissions
- Finalize plan

Off-Street Paved Multi-Use Path



Shared-Lane with Auto Traffic



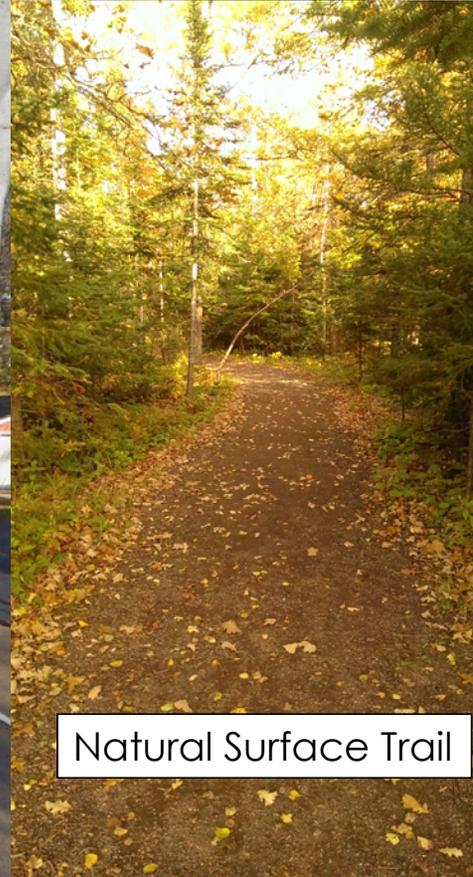
Bike Lane on Road



Sidewalks



On-Street Paved Shoulder



Natural Surface Trail