

News Release

City of Mansfield, Ohio

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Subject: Mansfield Trail Connection Project

Mansfield, Ohio--

The City of Mansfield is applying to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for a 2019 Clean Ohio Trail Fund grant to build a 1.13-mile bike trail, connecting the existing B&O Trail to the newly constructed Trimble Road Trail. The 10 foot wide path will be constructed with mostly asphalt material. A portion of the trail is proposed to consist of an elevated boardwalk in an effort to avoid disturbing a wetland.

The western terminus of the Trail will connect to the B&O Trail approximately 250 feet south of the Marion Avenue and B&O Trail intersection. The eastern terminus of the Trail will connect to the Trimble Road Trail at Raemelon Boulevard adjacent to the new Akron Children's Clinic. This segment is part of a long range plan to connect the B&O Trail to downtown Mansfield.

The proposed trail will meander through the Western Reserve Land Conservancy property, located between Cook Road and Marion Avenue and west of Trimble Road.

The City will use consultants to study the potential environmental impacts of this project. Compliance with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) will be achieved and any necessary permits will be obtained. The City will also make sure that no historic properties are affected by the project.

The City of Mansfield is accepting public comment on the trail proposal from now until January 30th, 2019. Any comments, questions, or concerns that you have regarding the proposed trail can be directed via email to Trail@ci.mansfield.oh.us. You can also fill out a feedback form located at the below web address or at the Mansfield Engineering Office at 30 N. Diamond Street, Mansfield, OH 44902 (6th floor). Please fill out the form and submit to the Mansfield Engineering Office by January 30th, 2019.

For more information regarding this press release, go to www.ci.mansfield.oh.us and click the link titled "Mansfield Trail Connection Project".