

## THE LOOP TRAIL



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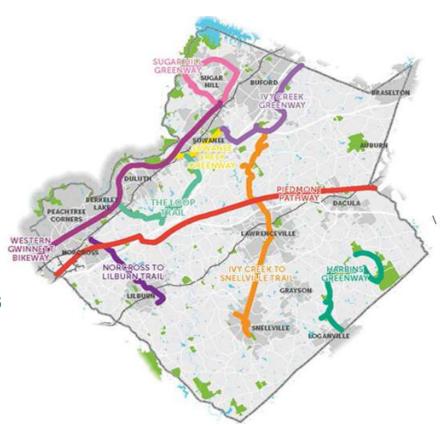
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### **AGENDA**

- PIGEONHOLE LIVE INTRODUCTION POLL
- SOCIAL PINPOINT SURVEY RESULTS
- NEED AND PURPOSE-UPDATE-REVIEW
- OVERALL ALIGNMENT/ TRAIL CONTEXT ZONE TYPES
- ENLARGEMENTS OF TRAIL/ ALTERNATE ALIGNMENTS
- TRAIL EXPERIENCE/FEATURES
- PIGEONHOLE LIVE Q&A
- STAKEHOLDER AND PUBLIC MEETING NEXT STEPS/SCHEDULE



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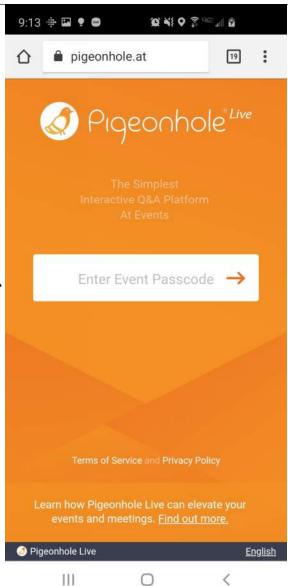




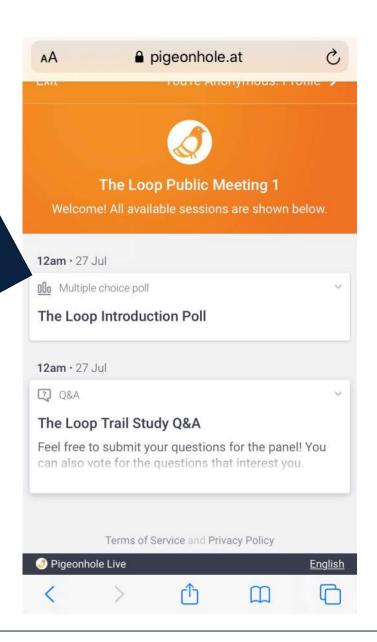
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## CLICK HERE TO SEE POLLING & CAST YOUR VOTE



#### The Loop Introduction Poll

## What is your current association with The Loop study area?

Tap on an option to vote.

I live and/or own property in the area.

I work and/or own a business in the area.

I am a frequent visitor.

I am an elected official who represents the community.

I am an appointed official who represents the community.

I am interested in the trail study process.









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Question 1 of 1

• LIVE 0 participants | 0 votes

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Pigeonhole Live



SOCIAL PINPOINT RESULTS



SELECT ALL THAT APPLY (95 RESPONDENTS)

1) What is your interest in the proposed Loop trail?

I live nearby **74** I shop nearby **33** 

I eat nearby 36 I work nearby 20

2) How long have you been living, working, or commuting near the proposed trail corridor?

More than 5 years 69

One to 3 years 17



SELECT ALL THAT APPLY (95 RESPONDENTS)

3) What would you like to see more of near the proposed trail?

Parks / Greenspace 86

Parking / Trailheads 67

Restaurants 13

4) What locations or destinations do you frequent in the area?

Parks 69 Duluth Downtown 61

Suwanee Downtown **61** Infinite Energy **45** 



SELECT ALL THAT APPLY (95 RESPONDENTS)

5) What is your primary mode of transportation?

Car 90

Bike 1

Walk 1

6) What design elements or trail amenities would help you feel more comfortable and encourage your use as a pedestrian or cyclist? Choose all that apply.

Lighting **71** Emergency Phone **51** 

Landscape Strip **60** Physical barrier **43** 



SELECT ALL THAT APPLY (95 RESPONDENTS)

7) What traffic /operational improvements would help you feel more comfortable and encourage your use as a pedestrian or cyclist?

Pedestrian / Bike only phase or pedestrian-lead phase during signal operation 44

Raised Median @ Intersections 43



WRITE IN QUESTIONS

8) Indicate other items that would make you feel safer

**Bridges / Tunnels** 

**Separated Uses** 

9) What do you like most about the area?

**Events** Parks

**Shopping** Convenience

Friendly



WRITE IN QUESTIONS

10) What kinds of places would you like to travel to via the trail?

Parks Downtown Areas

**Restaurants** Events

Commuting Shopping

11) Would the completion of the trail improve your quality of life? How?

**Exercise** 

**Social Interaction** 



12) Rate the level of comfort you have as a pedestrian on this corridor.

Mostly Comfortable 30

Mostly Not Comfortable 23

13) What area of trail would you like the County to prioritize first?

Most popular

**McDaniel Farm Area Connections 16** 



## SOCIAL PINPOINT WEBSITE

Please visit and provide feedback through:

https://planningatpond.com/thelooptrailfeasibilitystudy

This website will remain open for comment and survey responses for the next 14 days!



#### NEED AND PURPOSE-UPDATE-REVIEW

#### Need

• Several studies have explored trail segments to connect parks, other trails and significant community activity centers in the western portion of Gwinnett County. Trail segments have been designed and/or constructed within this area, although no study has examined the overall area for a continuous trail or alternative alignments. There is a significant need for a comprehensive planning effort for alternative mode transportation that connects activity centers, including the Gwinnett Place Mall, Infinite Energy Center and associated future mixed use developments, Shorty Howell Park, McDaniel Farm Park, Peachtree Ridge Park, Suwanee Creek Greenway, and Western Gwinnett Pathway as well as future transit routes. This planning study will evaluate a 17-mile trail to encompass these areas and provide both recreational and transportation infrastructure that will reduce the number of vehicular trips in this growing area.

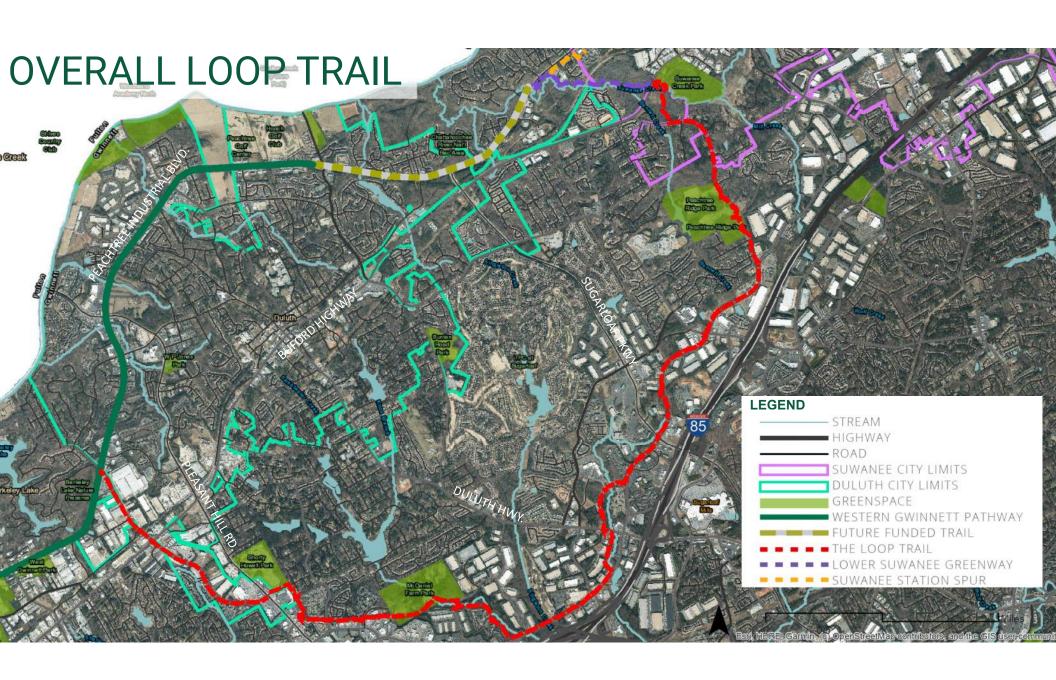
#### **Purpose**

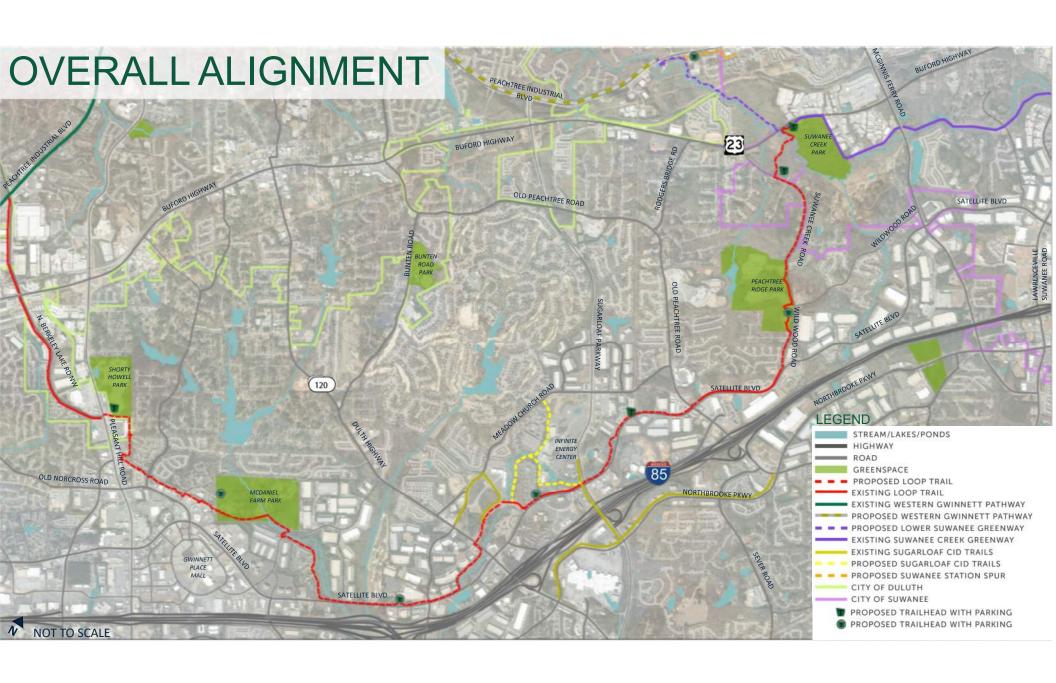
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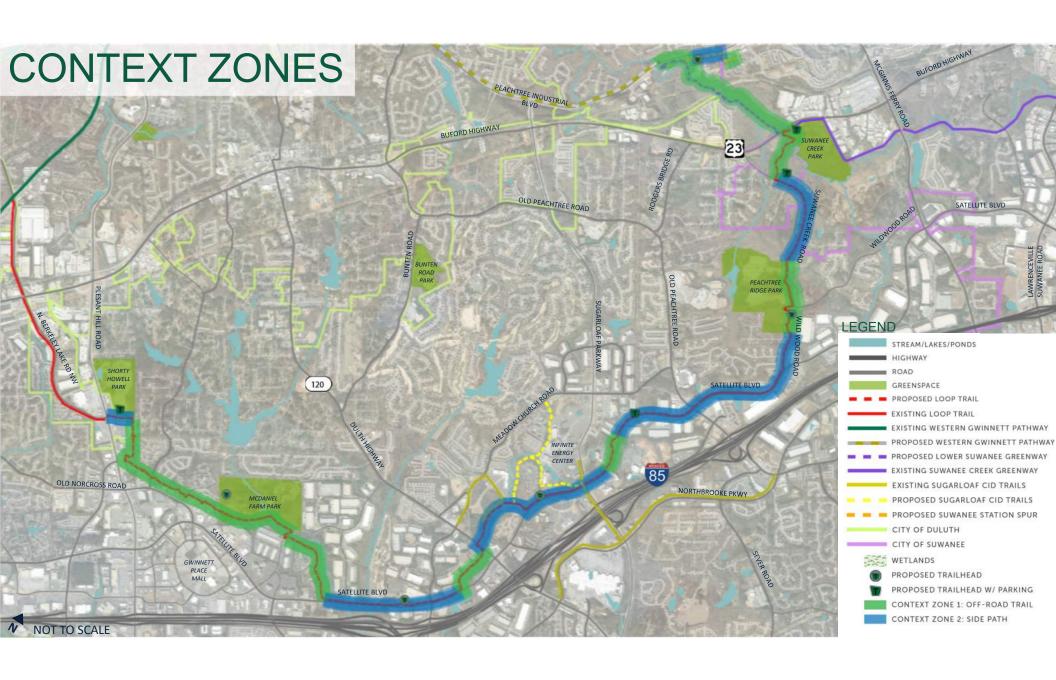


OVERALL
ALIGNMENT/ TRAIL
CONTEXT ZONE
TYPES









### TRAIL CONTEXT TYPES

- Appropriate for off-road within park, utility corridor, easement or right-of-way
- Typical trail condition with lower cost for construction
- Minimal lighting
- Signage at regular intervals
- Restrooms and parking at key locations
- Signalized road crossings or grade separation where necessary



OFF-ROAD TRAIL
Context Zone: 1



### TRAIL CONTEXT TYPES

- Appropriate for trail adjacent to a major or minor road, within utility corridor, easement or right-of-way
- Typical where trail runs parallel to an existing slope
- Retaining walls may or may not be required
- Lighting and signage at regular intervals
- Restrooms and parking in key locations
- Signalized road crossings or grade separation where necessary

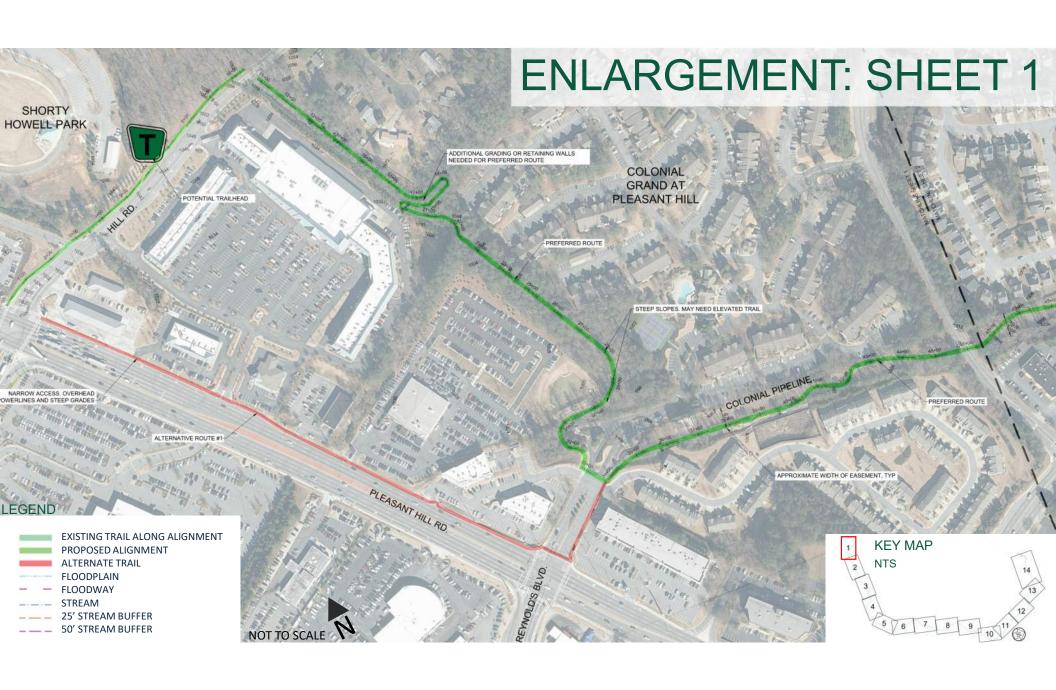




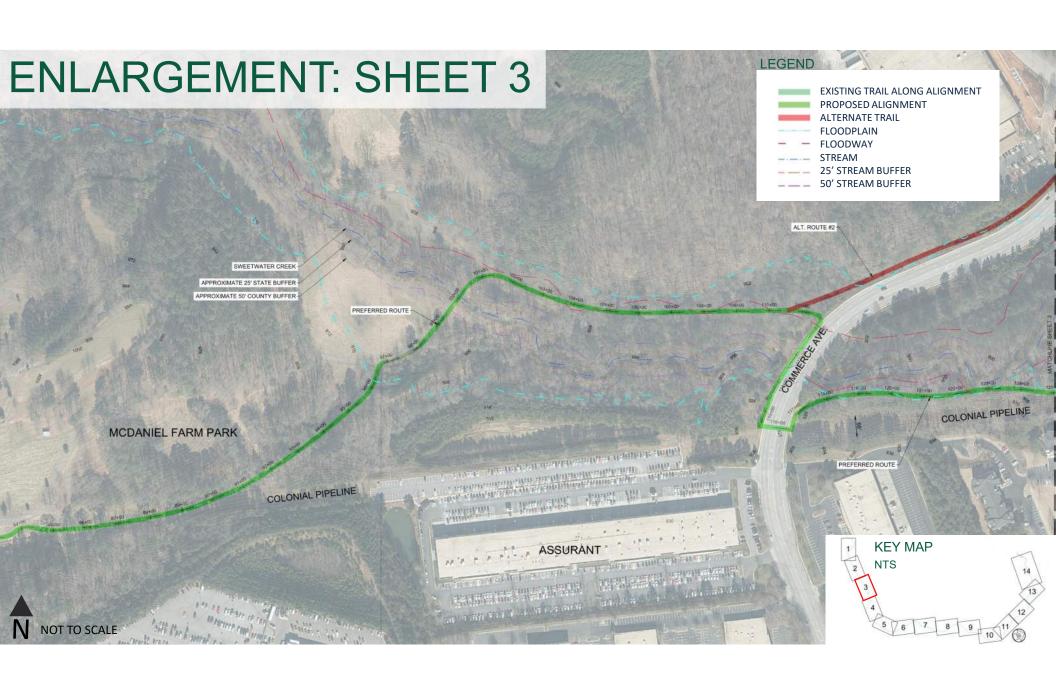


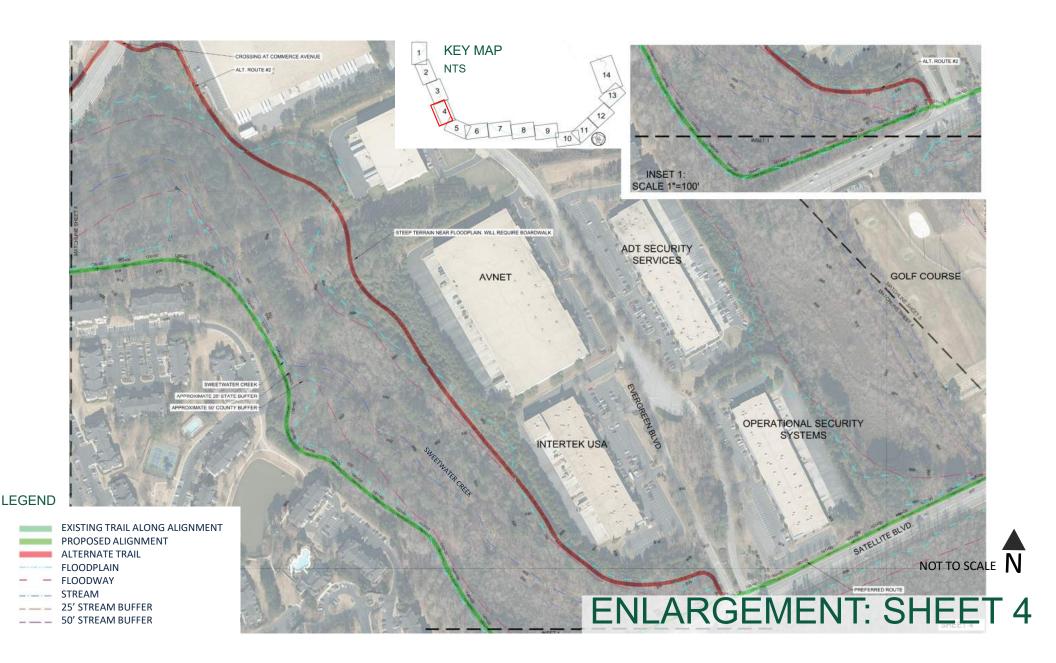


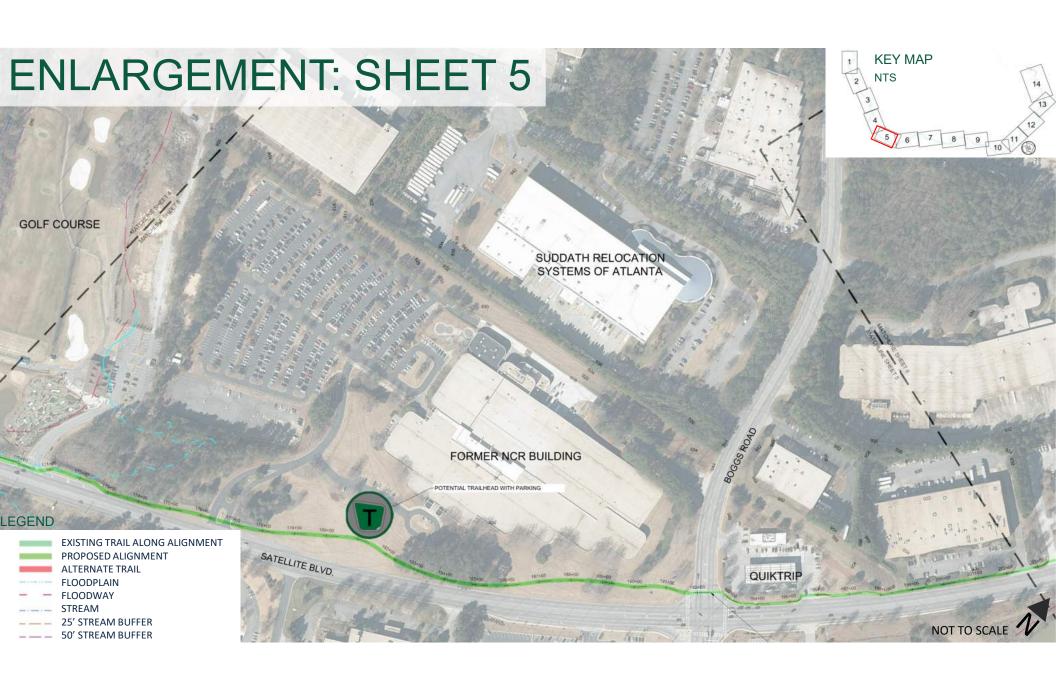
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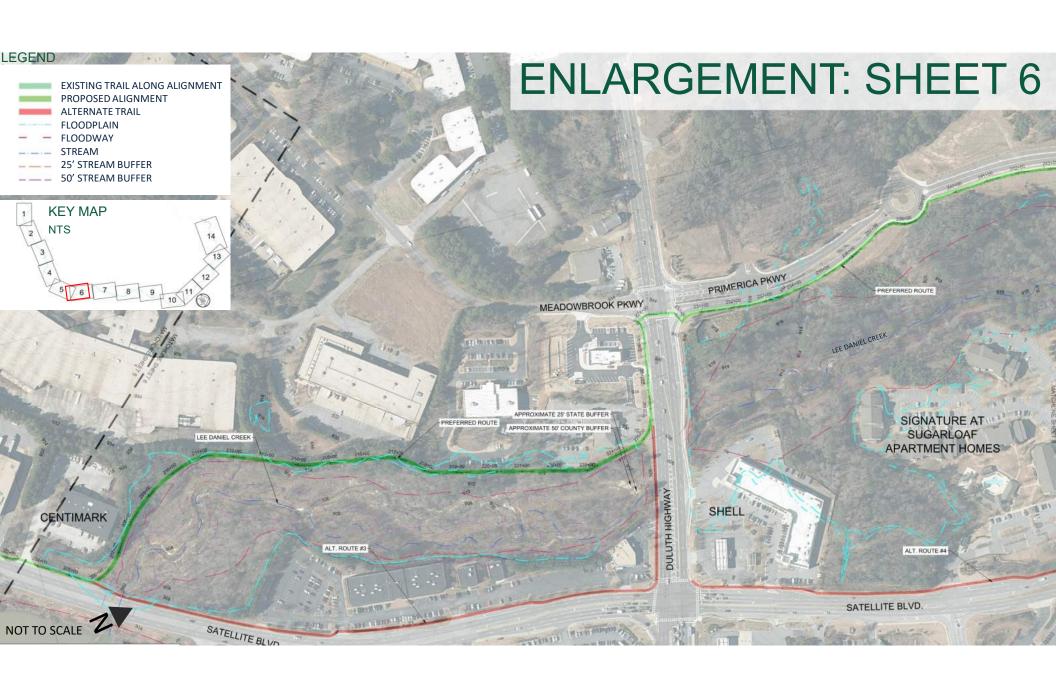


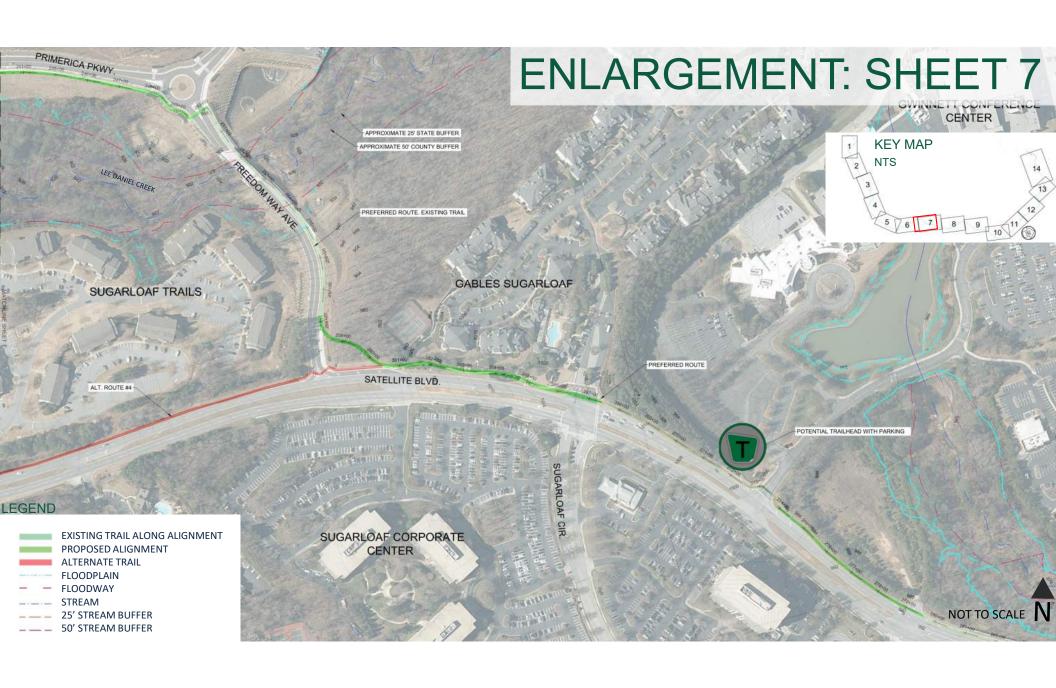




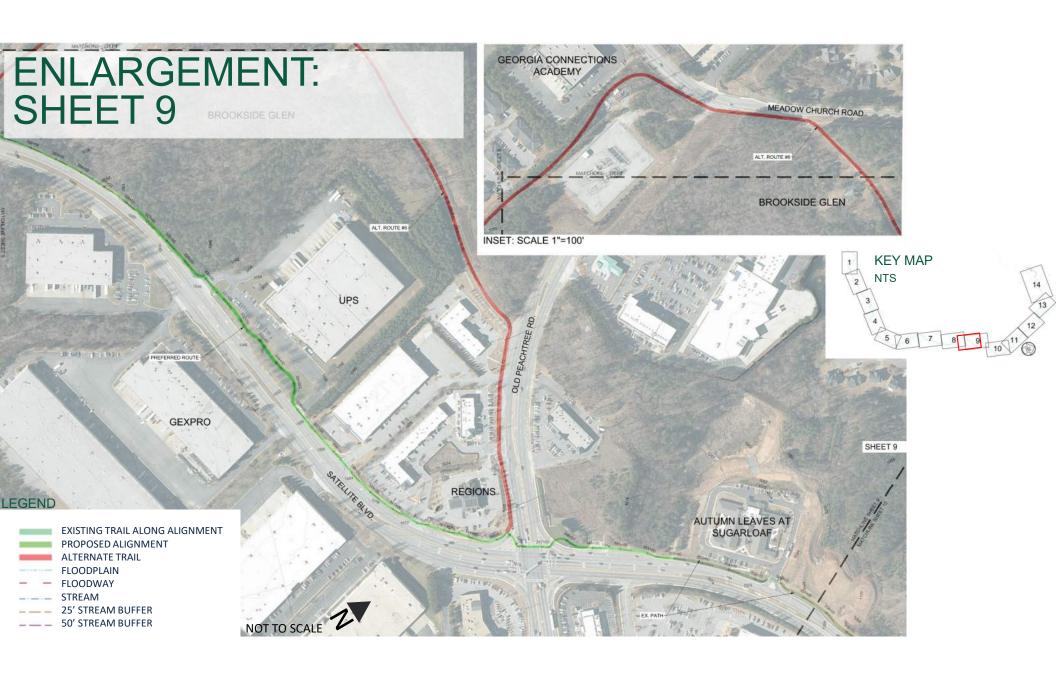


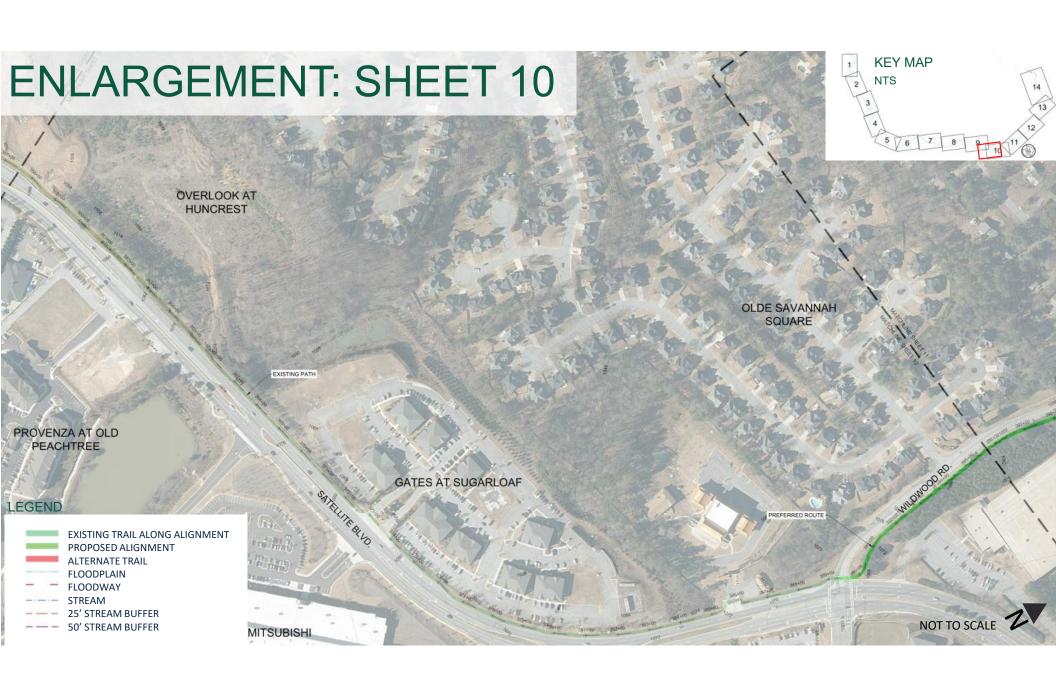


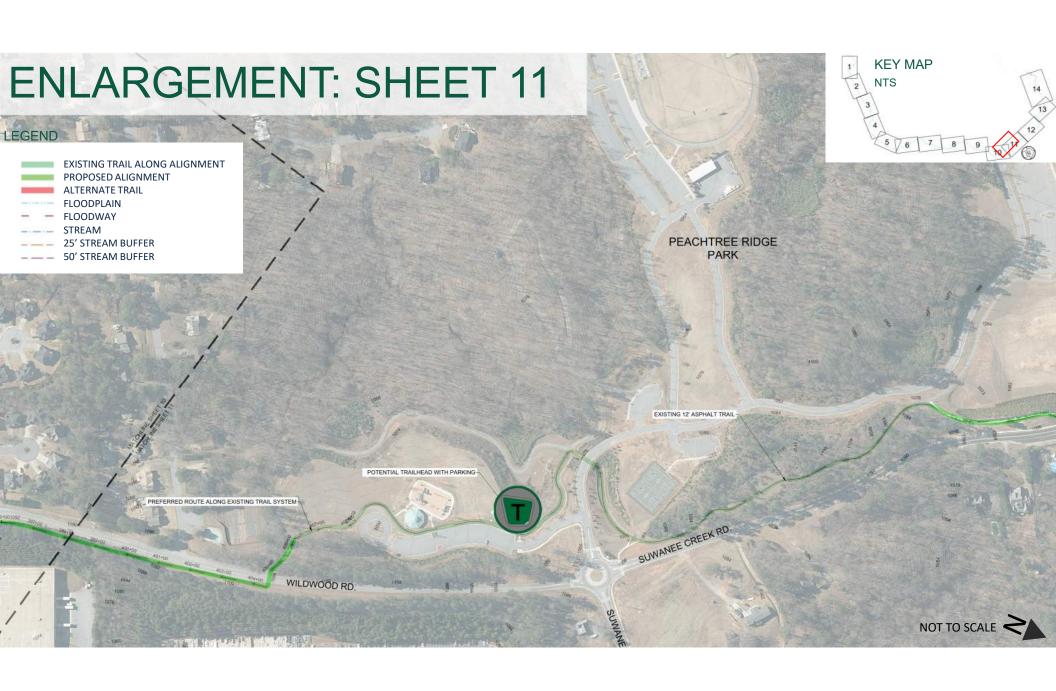


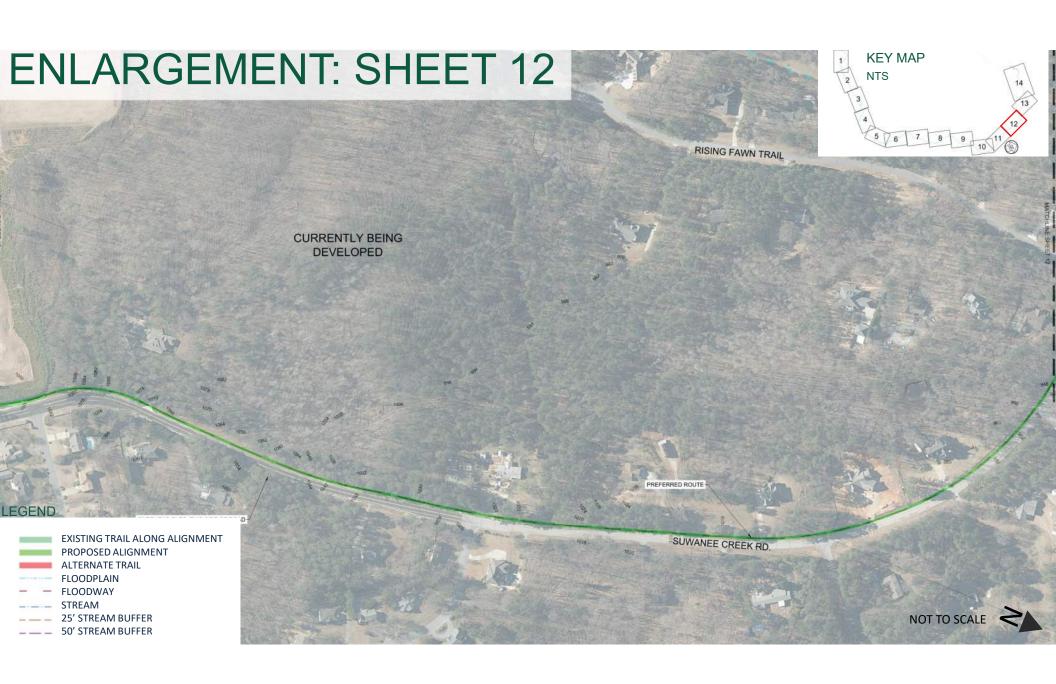


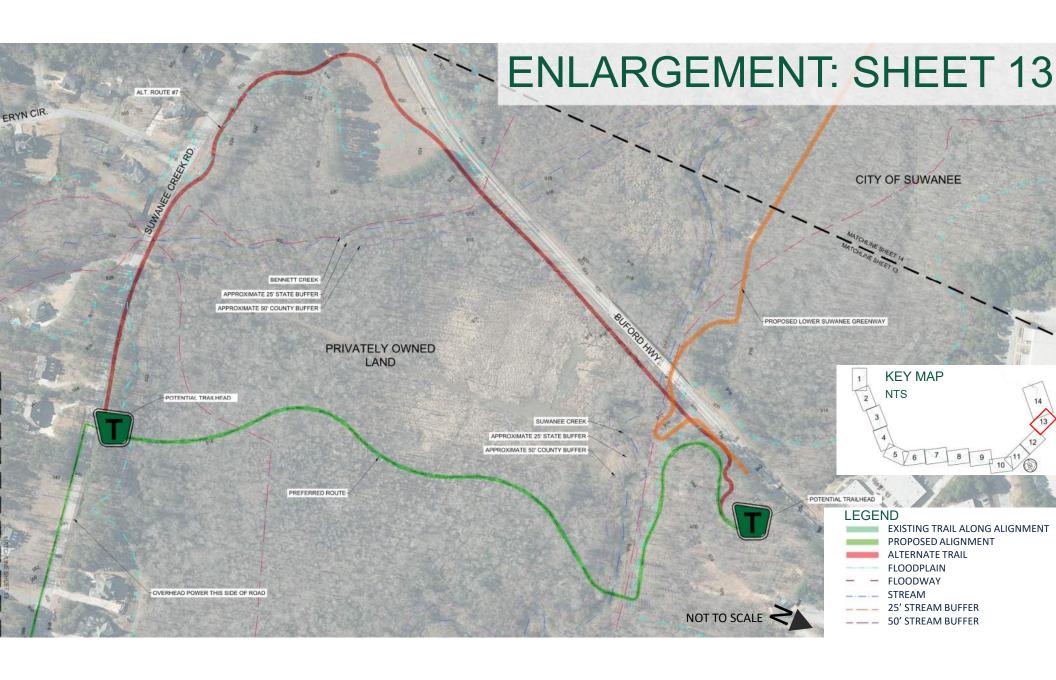


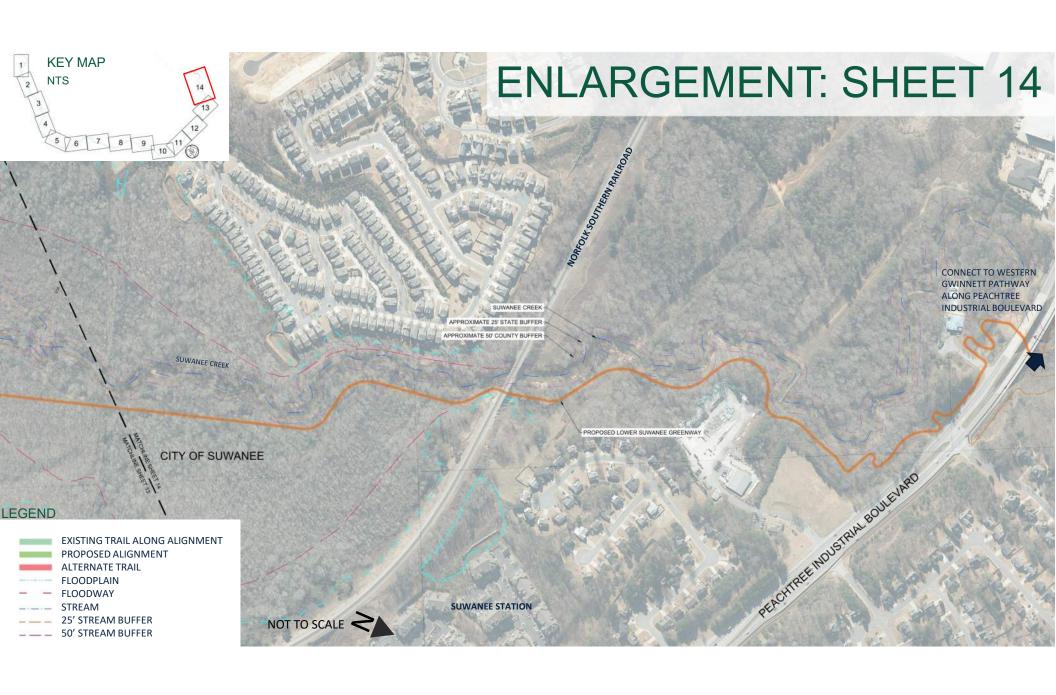














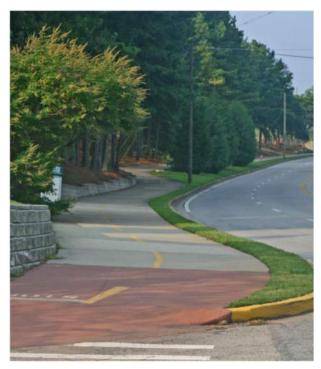
TRAIL EXPERIENCES/ FEATURES





THE LOOP TRAIL ALONG MCDANIEL FARM

• COURTESY OF GWINNETT TRAILS, RENDERING BY KIMLEY-HORN



SIDE PATH TRAIL

• BUFFERED BY GRASS PLANTING STRIP



BOARDWALK: UPPER SUWANEE GREENWAY BELOW WOODWARD MILL ROAD

• COURTESY OF GWINNETT TRAILS, RENDERING BY KIMLEY-HORN





OFF-ROAD TRAIL: HARBINS GREENWAY

COURTESY OF GWINNETT TRAILS,
RENDERING BY KIMLEY-HORN
GWINNETT



TRAIL REST AREA

• TANYARD CREEK TRAIL, ATLANTA, GA



TRAILHEAD WITH PICNIC TABLE + RESTROOM

• WOLF CREEK GREENWAY, GERMANTOWN, TN



ROAD CROSSING: PIEDMONT PATHWAY AT DACULA ROAD

• COURTESY OF GWINNETT TRAILS, RENDERING BY KIMLEY-HORN



# WAYFINDING: DIRECTIONAL, ROADSIDE, MILE MARKERS

• COURTESY OF GWINNETT TRAILS, IMAGE BY KIMLEY-HORN







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The Loop Trail Study Q&A



#### SESSION

### The Loop Trail Study Q&A

Feel free to submit your questions for the panel! You can also vote for the questions that interest you. Popular questions with high votes will be addressed first. If we are not able to get to all questions we will post all responses to Q+A after the meeting.





## ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

- Ability to post questions through Pigeonhole will be available for next 14 days (through Aug 9)
- Email Andrea Greco with Pond: <a href="mailto:grecoa@Pondco.com">grecoa@Pondco.com</a>
- Email Greg Smith with Gwinnett DOT greg.o.smith@gwinnettcounty.com
- Check back at <u>gwinnetttrails.com</u> under 'Loop Study'



### SCHEDULE

• 2018: Gwinnett Trails Countywide Master Plan

• Summer 2019: Loop Trail Kickoff

• Fall 2019: Core Team Meeting

Jan 2020: Stakeholder Meeting #1

• 02/25/2020: Core Team Meeting #2

• 5/20/2020: Stakeholder Meeting #2

• 7/27/2020 Public Meeting #1 Present Alternative

Alignments

• Late Sept 2020 Core Team Meeting #3 Draft Study

• Oct/Nov 2020 Stakeholder/Public Mtg #2 Draft Study

• Dec 2020 Core Team Meeting #4 Final Study

