

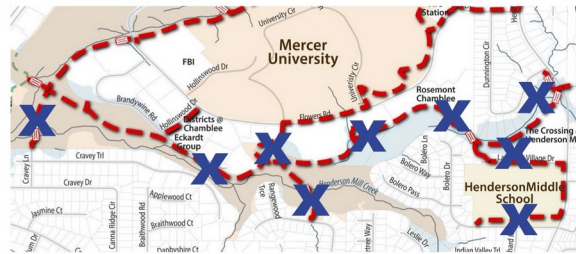
Flowers-To-Brandywine Alternate Routings (Mercer Trail Study)

This document has supporting information for the alternative Flowers-to-Brandywine sidepath routing that would completely avoid the Henderson Mill Creek floodplain (Hollinswood-to-North Fork, remaining HMC segment per Oct 2 presentation).

1. Oct2 Presentation Routing Still Includes Substantial Portion of HMC Floodplain

The Oct2, 2024 Final Mercer Trail Study presentation removed a significant portion of the originally planned HMC floodplain routing. However, it left a substantial portion of the HMC floodplain in the routing plan: Hollinswood-to-North Fork.

Responses to Concerns



Following the third round of public engagement DeKalb RPCA have determined the following changes in the trail.

- 1. Cravey Trail Spur Removed**
- 2. Henderson Mill Creek Trail east of Hollinswood Drive and Rangewood Trail Spur Removed**
- 3. A Flowers Road and Henderson Mill Road sidepath were added to make the trail connection from PCG to Henderson Middle School.**

Top Negative Perspectives

1. Value to the public
2. Ecological impacts
3. Aesthetics
4. Security
5. Privacy

Top Positive Perspectives

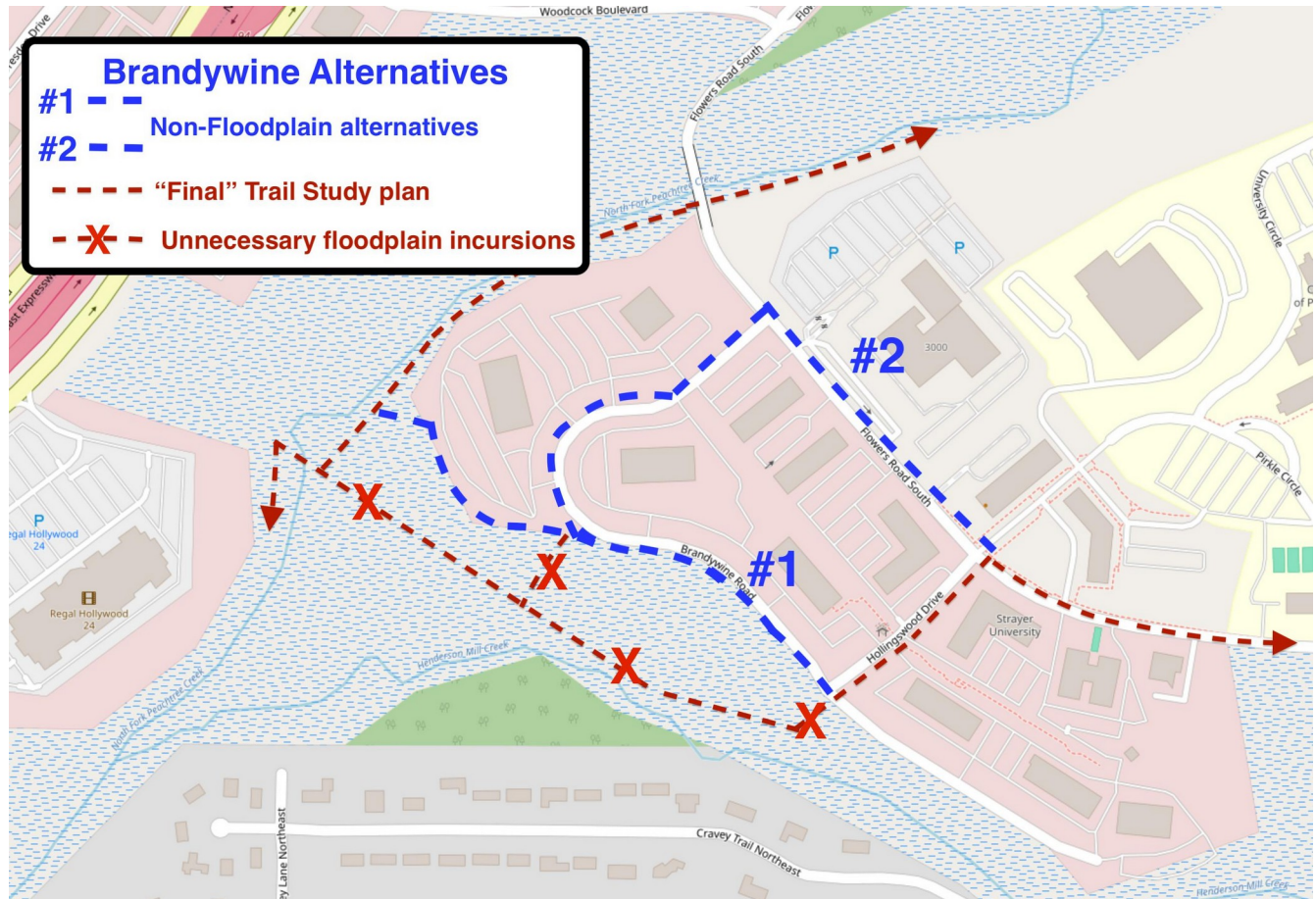
1. Exercise
2. Access to Nature
3. Walk the dog
4. Socialize
5. Getting around without driving

Oct2 Presentation showing HMC Portions Removed and HMC Portion Remaining

This remaining HMC floodplain segment (Hollinswood-to-North Fork) is not required in order to provide the desired Mercer connectivity. The alternate Flowers-to-Brandywine routings can provide this connectivity without touching any of the HMC floodplain.

2. Two Alternate Flowers-To-Brandywine Routings That Fully Spare HMC Floodplain

Two sidepath alternatives are shown in the map below. Option #1 is more aesthetically pleasing. Option #2 is probably less work because there is already existing sidewalk all along the Flowers Rd segment. Either alternative could completely replace the HMC floodplain segment that remained in the Oct2 final presentation, leaving the entire HMC floodplain fully intact, outside of all PATH bike route construction routing.



Two Alternative Flowers-to-Brandywine Routings that Fully Spare HMC Floodplain

3. Photo Showing Greenspace Available for Brandywine Sidepath

This photo shows the ample room along Brandywine (Option #1) for a pretty, quiet, aesthetically pleasing sidepath. This route extends from Hollinswood to the south parking lot.



Ample Greenspace for Brandywine Sidepath

4. Photo Showing Greenspace for Parking Lot Sidepath That Reaches North Fork

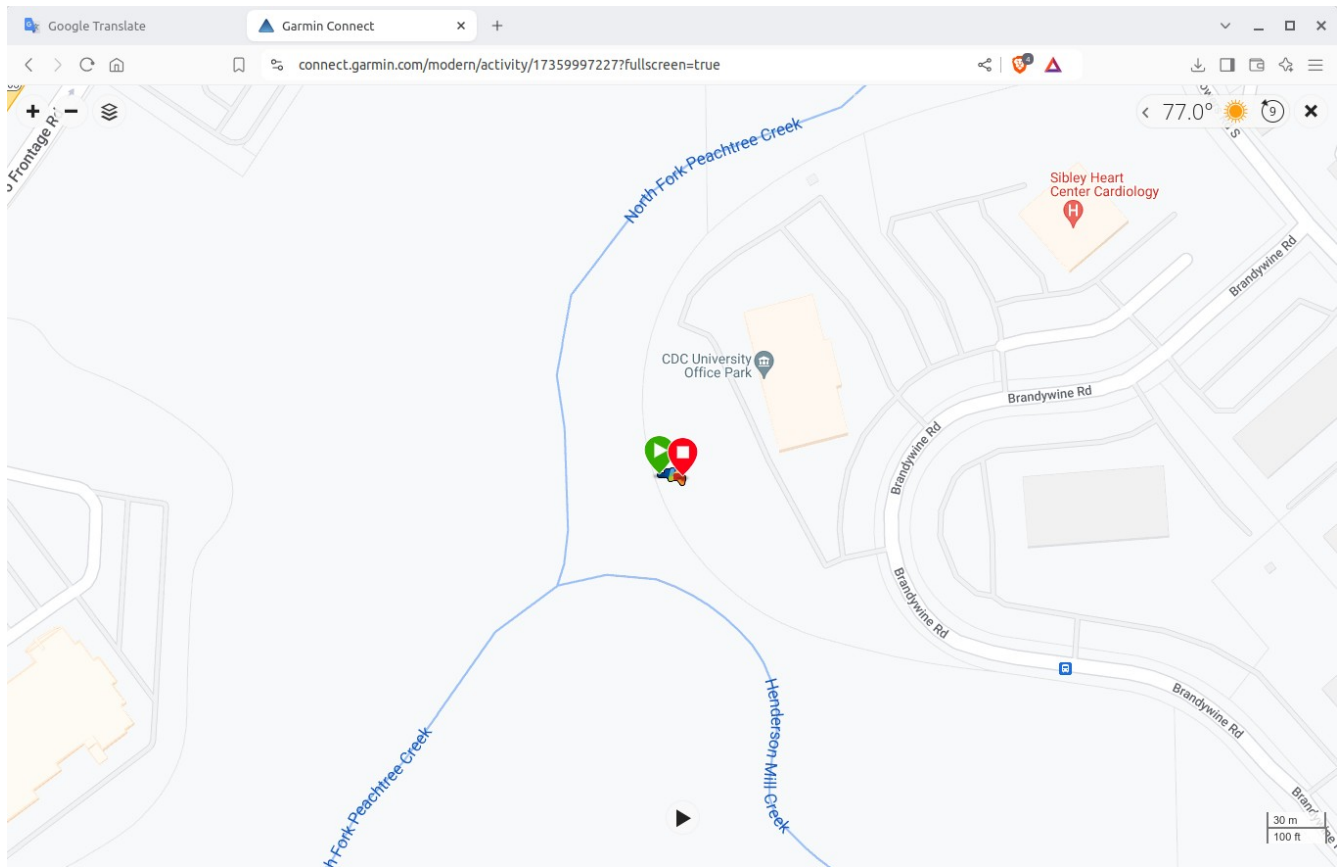
This photo shows greenspace room along outer edge of southern parking lot. Sidepath can use this greenspace until it reaches cut-in point for the planned North Fork Peachtree Creek Greenway. Land is level behind the vegetation and could be used to widen the area available for sidepath, or a small (4' range) acquisition of the parking lot edge could also provide space. If the parking lot spaces were just switched to angled instead of perpendicular, this 4' width could be obtained without losing parking spaces.



Greenspace Available on Outer Edge of Southern Parking Lot

5. GPS Location Showing Proximity to North Fork from Parking Lot Sidepath

This GPS position is parallel to the edge of the building, and is within the area where the land is level behind the vegetation.



Direct North Fork Access in Close Proximity to Parking Lot Sidepath