

THE NEW ALBANY SHORELINE

PLANNING. PROJECTS. PROGRESS.











2014 / 2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

2020

Silver Creek Landing Ph.1

Completed (2014)

Five Year Parks Plan

Begins (2015)

Five Year Parks Plan

Completed

Comprehensive Plan

Begins

Comprehensive Plan

Completed

River Recreation Site

Master Plan Begins

CSX Rails-to-Trails Regional Project

Conceptualized

8th to 18th Street Greenway Segment

Completed

Trails Feasibility Study

Begins

River Recreation Site

Master Plan Completed

New Albany Loop Island Wetlands Ph.1 Stabilization

Completed

CSX Rails to Trails Regional Project

Coordination

Trails Feasibility Study

Completed

Flow Park Renovation

Completed

River Recreation Site

Property Acquisition + Environmental Clean-up Underway Silver Creek Landing Ph.2

Design Underway

Overlook

Conceptualized

Ohio River Greenway Trail Extension

Design Underway

River Recreation Site

Property Acquisition + Environmental Clean-up

On-going

River Recreation Site
Ph.2 Boat Ramp + Trailhead

Design Underway

2016 NEW ALBANY FIVE YEAR PARKS PLAN

- Re-purpose or eliminate facilities which look to be underutilized or do not fill the needs of the community.
- Add new park facilities in areas which look to be currently underserved.
- Consider alternative or additional uses for underutilized properties.
- Provide additional amenities, such as trails and camping, not currently being offered within the parks system.

The planning process recognized a need for natural areas within the parks system. Two new park facility concepts were developed as a result—the **New Albany Loop Island Wetlands** and the **River Recreation Park**.





2017 NEW ALBANY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

- Enhance visibility and bicycle/pedestrian access to Ohio River frontage
- Provide incentives to prospective developers of shoreline property for recreation or related commercial oriented purposes
- Phase out industrial land uses along the shoreline and replace with recreational land uses
- Investigate the removal of dilapidated housing from the shoreline

This plan called for the development of **New Albany's Shoreline** as a multi-faceted community recreational area and stressed the importance of a greenway vision plan that extends beyond the **Ohio River Greenway**.

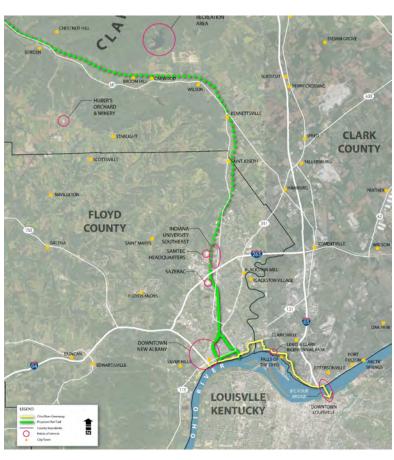


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CSX REGIONAL RAILS-TO-TRAILS PROJECT

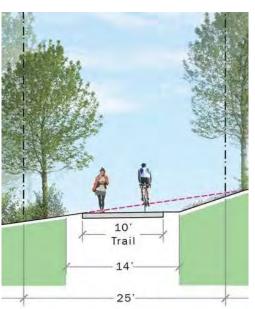
- The City of New Albany is currently working on a regional trail connectivity project.
- Proposed to extend from just north of I-265 and Grant Line Road (near the IUS ballfield) north through Floyd, Clark, Washington, and Orange counties to the city of Bedford.
- To be constructed within the existing, abandoned CSX rail corridor, the final project will stretch 62-miles when complete.



- 62 miles of trail connectivity
- Regional
 economic
 development
 opportunities
- **State**-wide support
- Enhances and expands the existing Ohio River Greenway experience

2019
NEW ALBANY
TRAILS
FEASIBILITY
STUDY







Analyzed two potential routes that could connect the **Ohio River Greenway** to the proposed **regional** trail north of I-265, while providing trail access to adjacent New Albany neighborhoods through a 5.4-mile central northsouth spine for biking and pedestrians.

















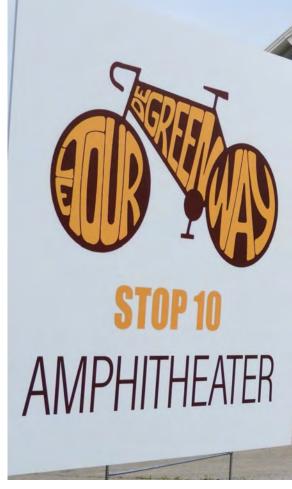


BRIDGE TO CLARKSVILLE

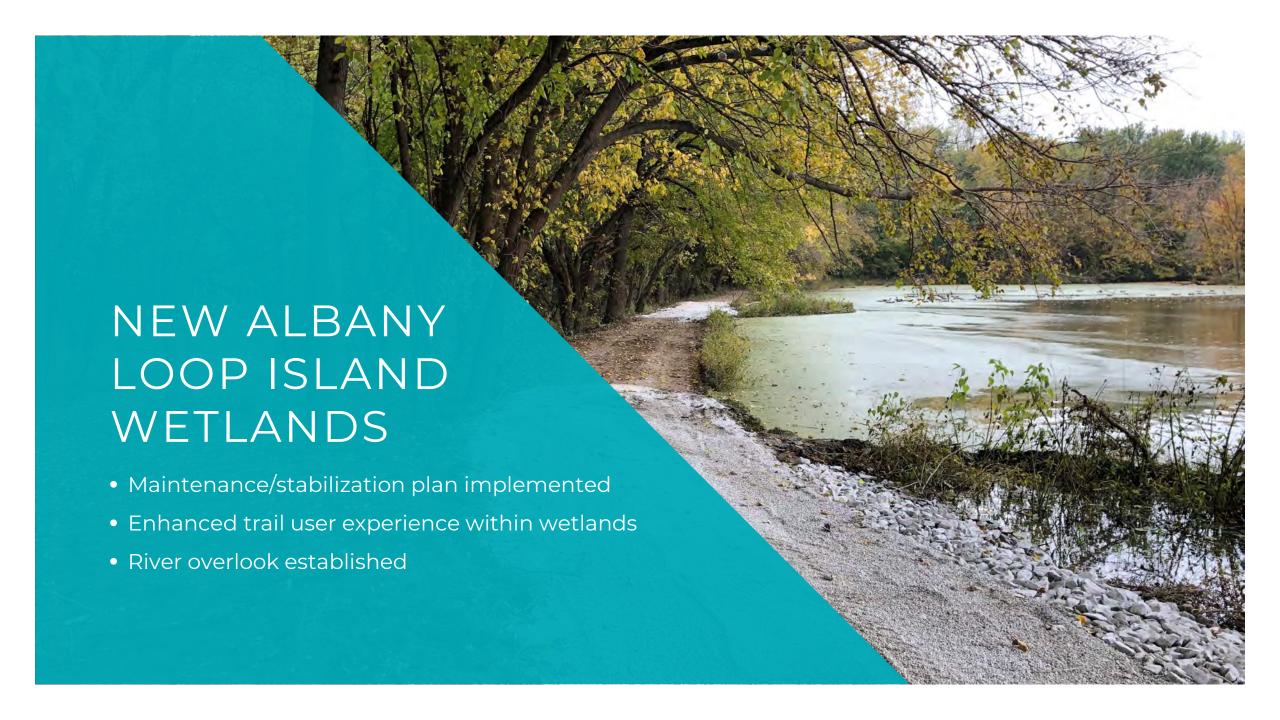
BUILT IMAGES

Connectivity = Activity







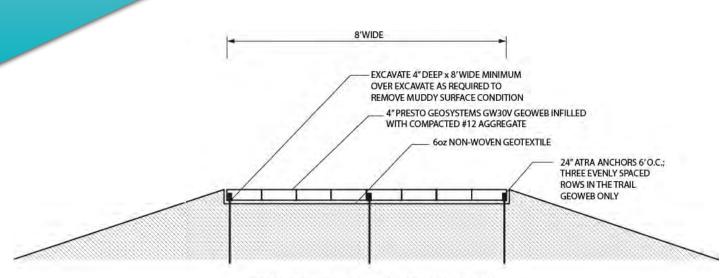


PHASING PLAN

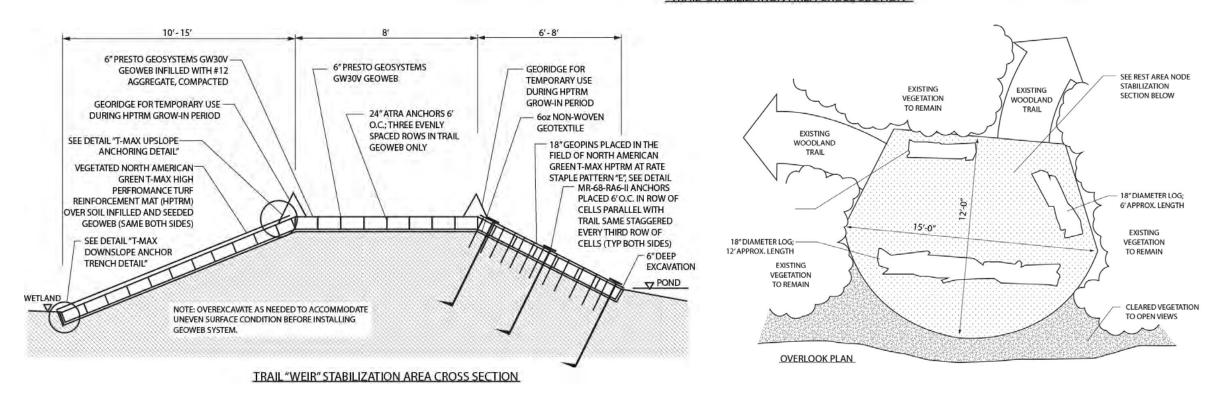
- PHASE 1: (complete)
 - Maintenance and stabilization
 - Creation of rest node
- PHASE 2: (future)
 - Trail clearing
 - Fix washouts along the east trail
 - Improve access/parking



STABILIZATION DETAILS



TRAIL STABILIZATION AREA CROSS SECTION



BEFORE-AFTER COMPARISONS

before







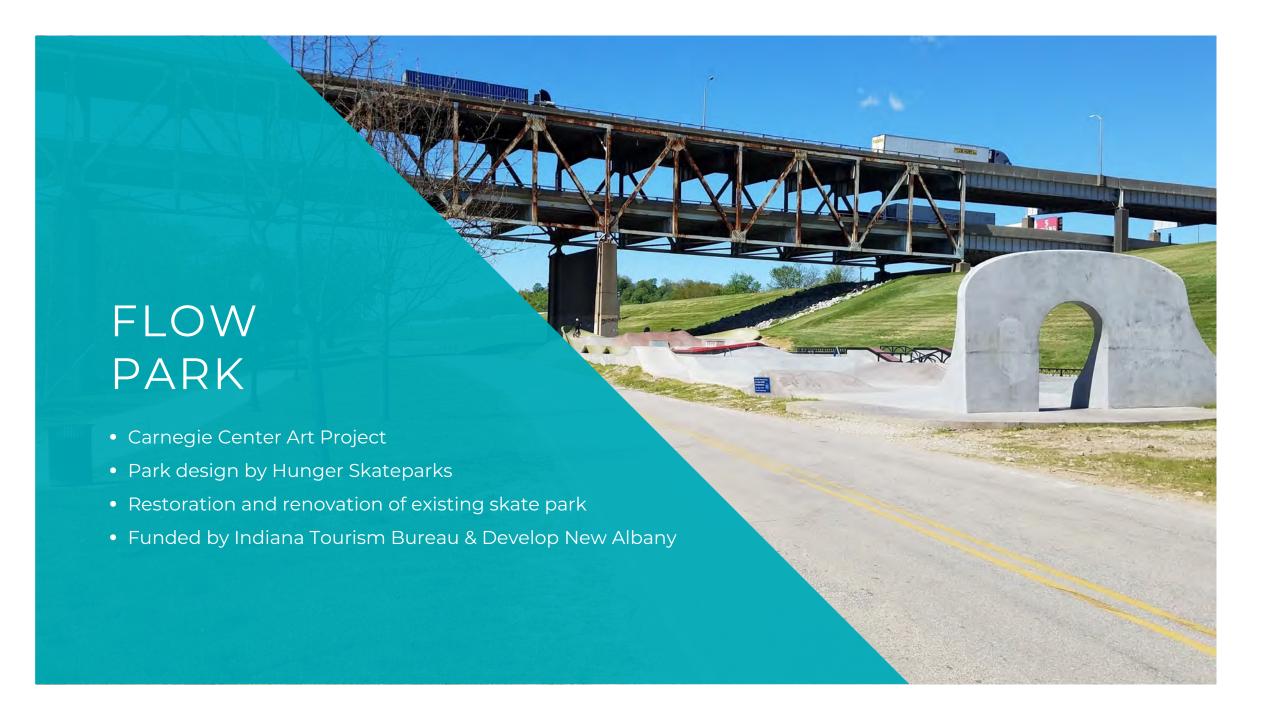
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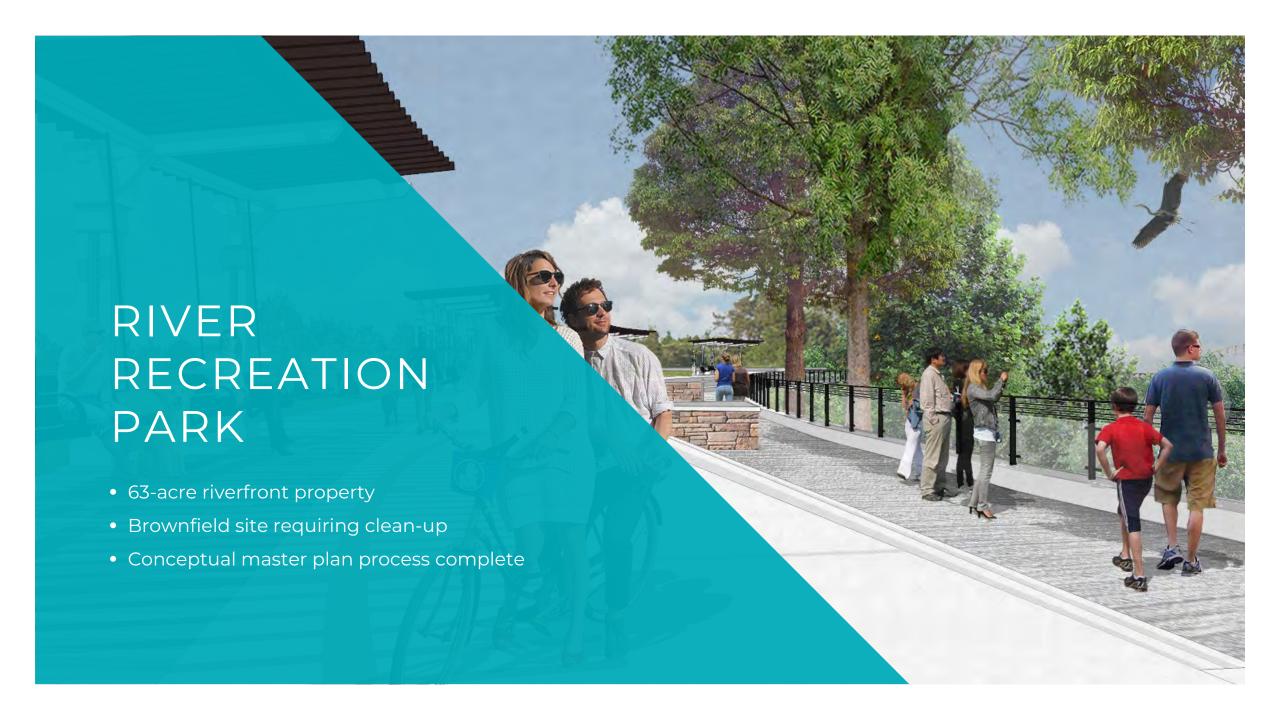








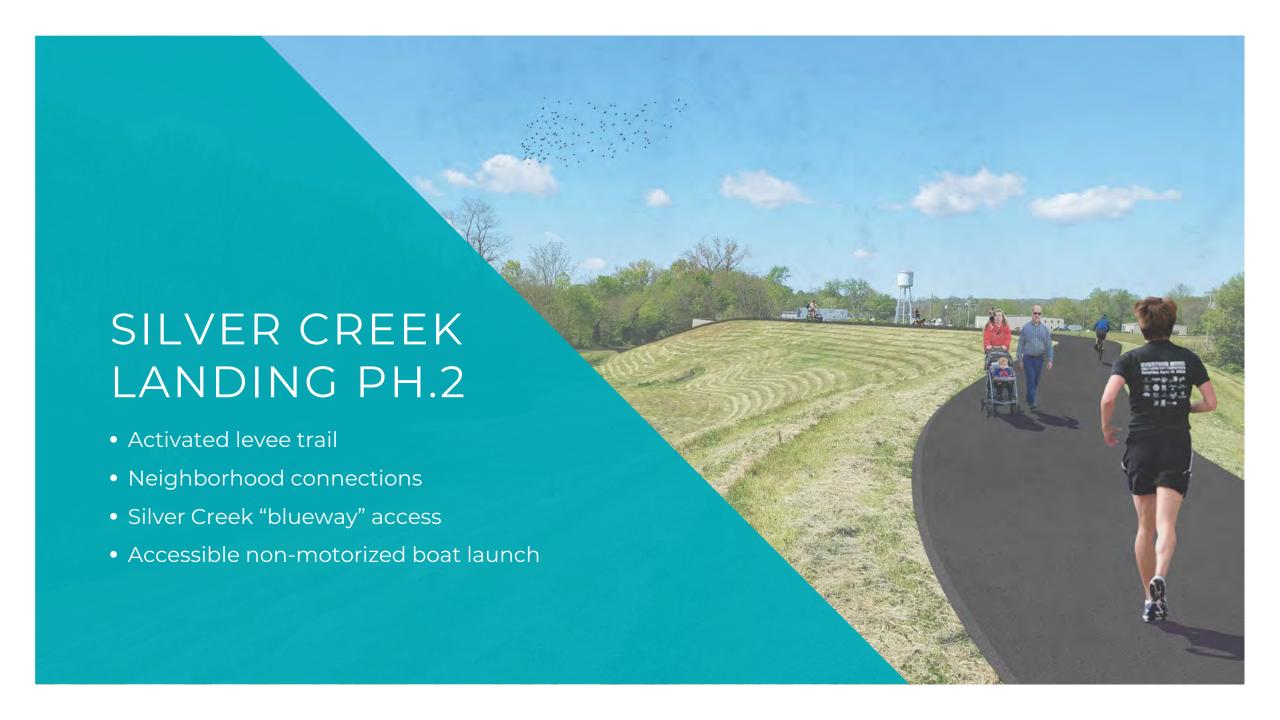


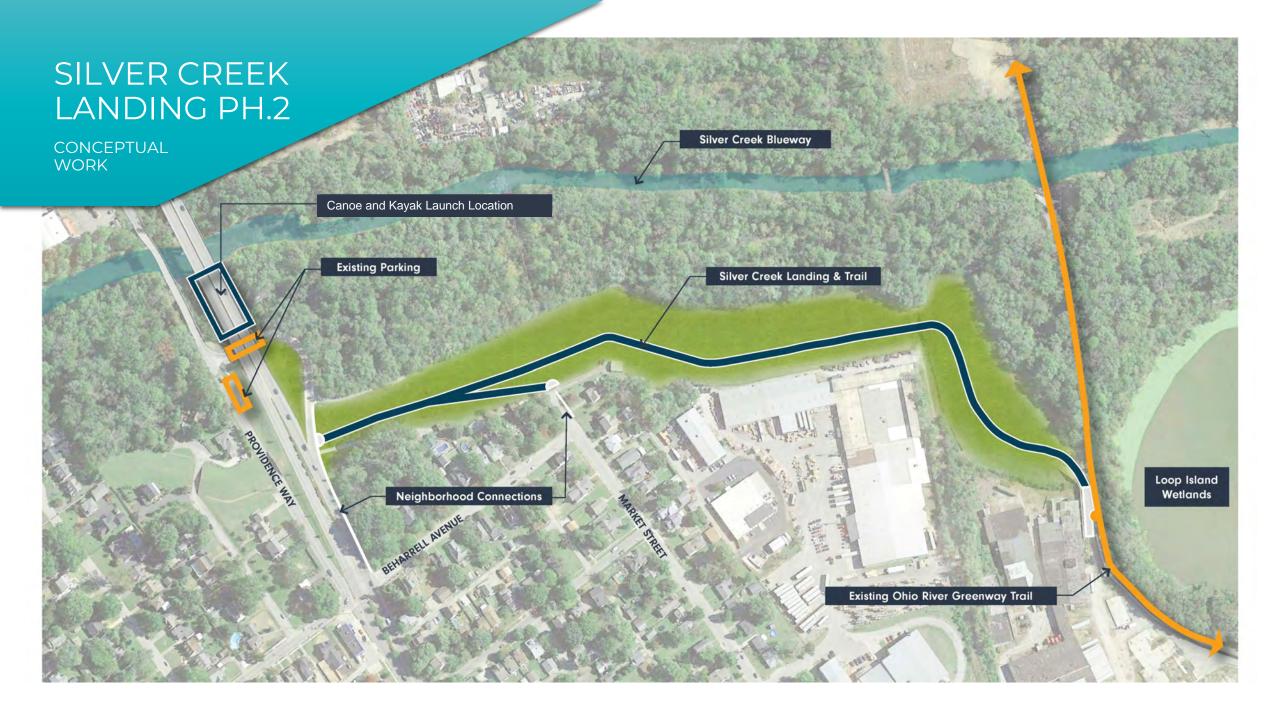


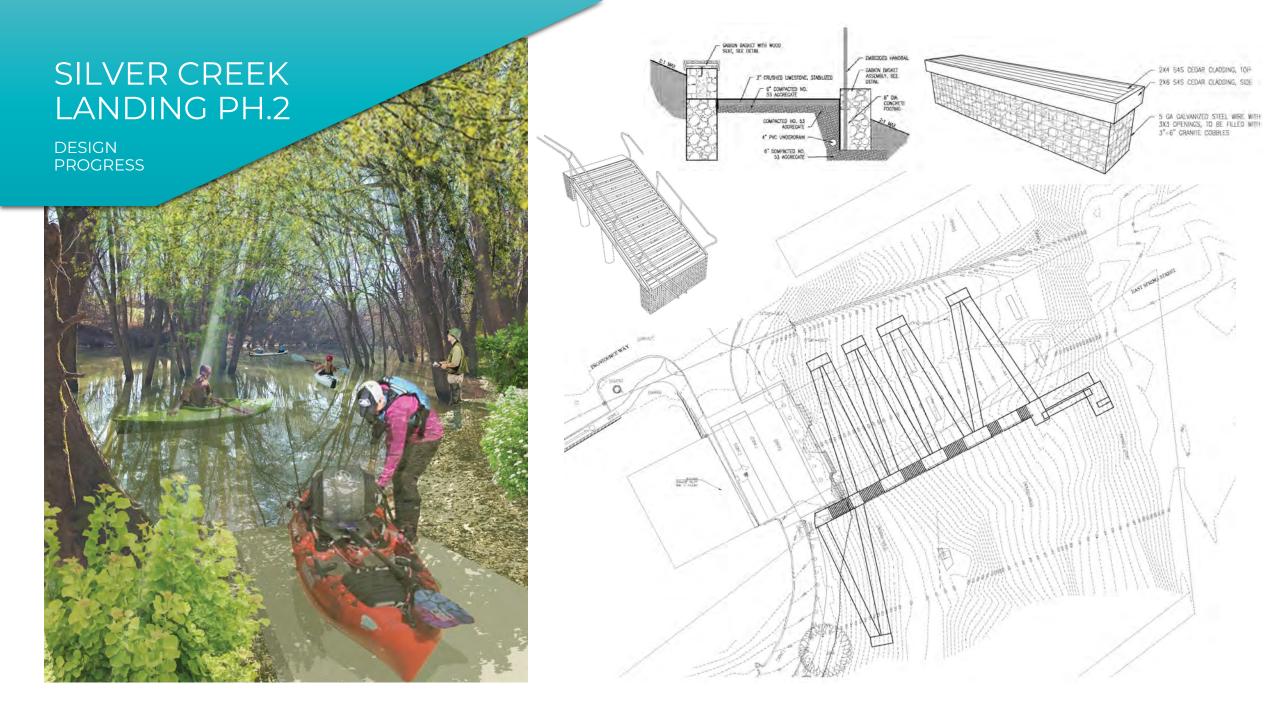


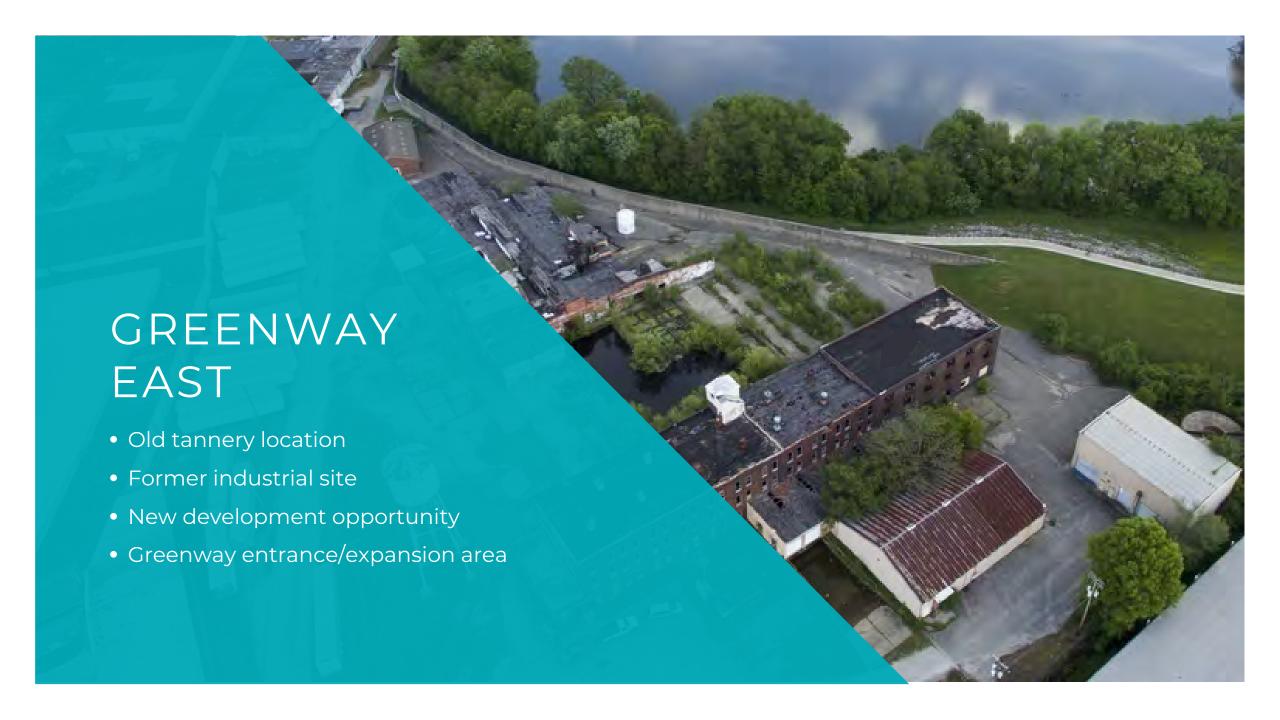
- PHASE 1: (underway)
 - Property Acquisition
 - Environmental Clean-up
- PHASE 2: (underway)
 - Boat Ramp and Trailhead
 - Design and permitting
- PHASE 3: (future)
 - Recreational Park





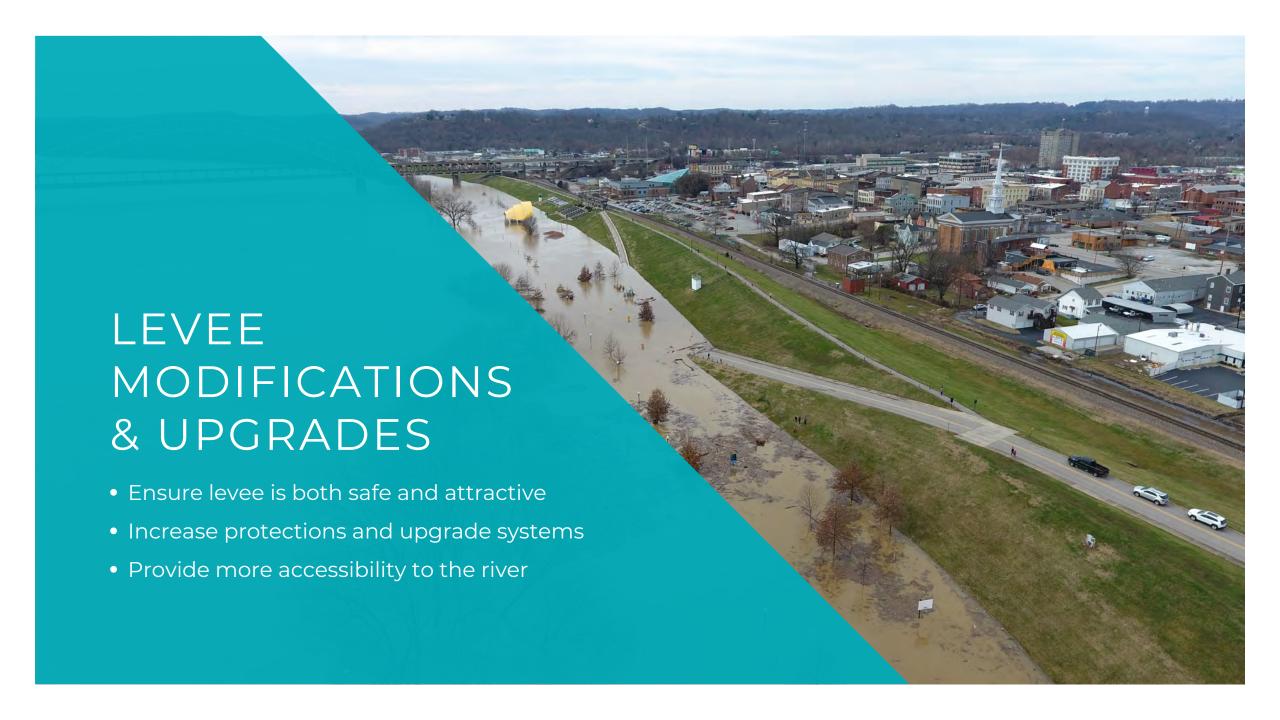












LEVEE MODIFICATIONS & UPGRADES

RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS













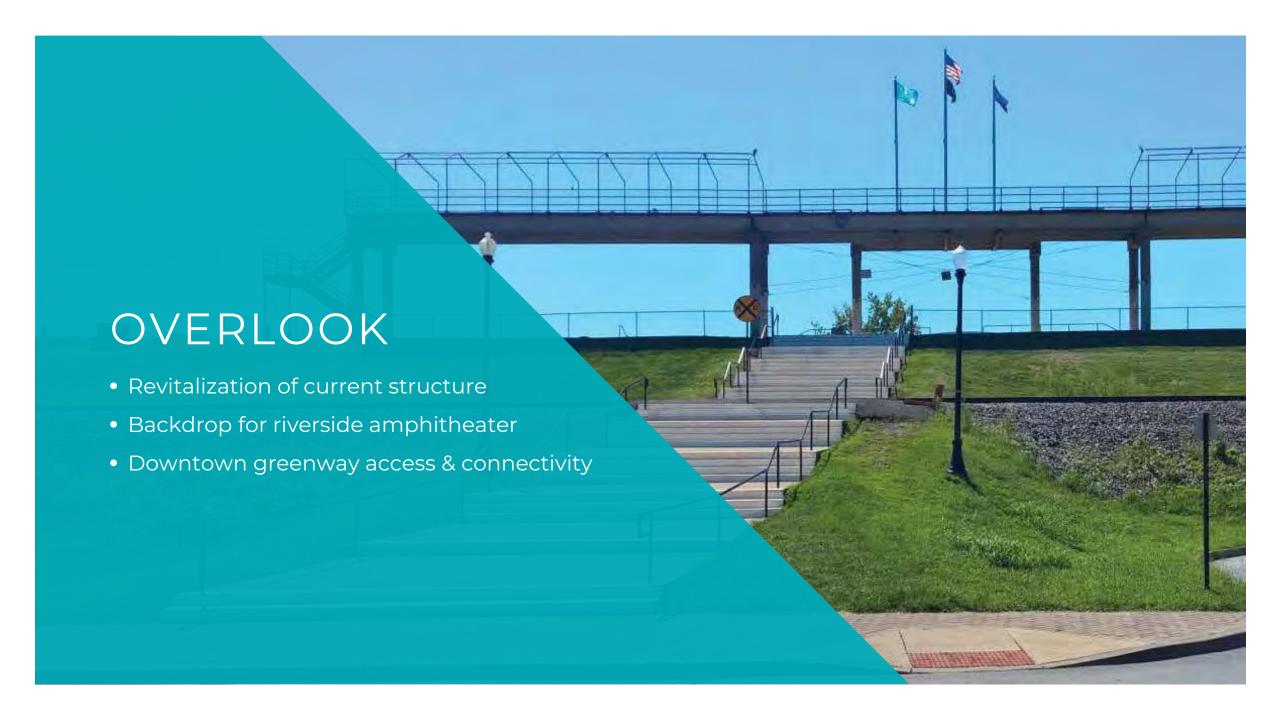


• PROJECT GOALS

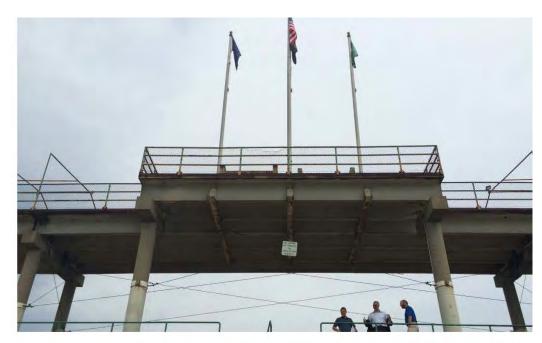
- Replace existing rip-rap locations with more sustainable slope stabilization
- **Repair erosion** issues at existing outlets
- Provide a surface on the levee that is easy to traverse and maintain
- Encourage controlled vegetation growth and enhance aesthetics

PROGRESS

- Product recommendations
- Preliminary plans
- Cost estimates



























BOAT RAMP + TRAILHEAD

CONCEPT DESIGN

LEGEND

- 1. 8'-wide Asphalt Path
- 2. Pull-off Trailer Staging Area
- Trailhead Plaza
- 4. River Overlook Pavilion
- 5. Retaining wall/seatwall
- 6. Concrete Sidewalk
- 7. Vehicle + Trailer Parking
- . Boat Launch with Rip-rap
- 9. Trail Map
- 10. Bike Racks
- 11. Limestone Sculpture Statement
- 12. Future Park Road
- 13. Ohio Greenway Trail Extension













CONCLUSION

- 6.6-miles of additional trails (1.2-miles along the waterfront)
- An accessible kayak launch and "blue-way" trail experience
- Connectivity to over 61.7-miles of built trails and 114-miles of future trails
 - Ohio River Greenway (13.7-miles built)
 - Louisville Loop Trail (48-miles built, 52 additional miles proposed)
 - Regional Trail (62-miles proposed)
- 113-acres of natural open space and recreational area along the riverfront
 - New Albany Loop Island Wetlands (50-acres)
 - River Recreation Site (63-acres)
- An upgraded boat ramp facility with camping and hiking opportunities

CONCLUSION

• The levee will **no longer act as a barrier** between New Albany residents and the river—this obstacle will be overcome by these efforts

- Because more New Albany residents now have access to trails, quality of life and walkability ratings will increase
- New Albany residents could enjoy multi-day recreational activities (biking/nature hiking/kayaking) right from their own "backyard"
- Downtown establishments may appeal to cyclists and boaters who wouldn't have visited New Albany before this connectivity was in place

