## Joint Meeting 2019 A Year in Review

#### Sharing Our Progress on Greenways and Trails

## Topics

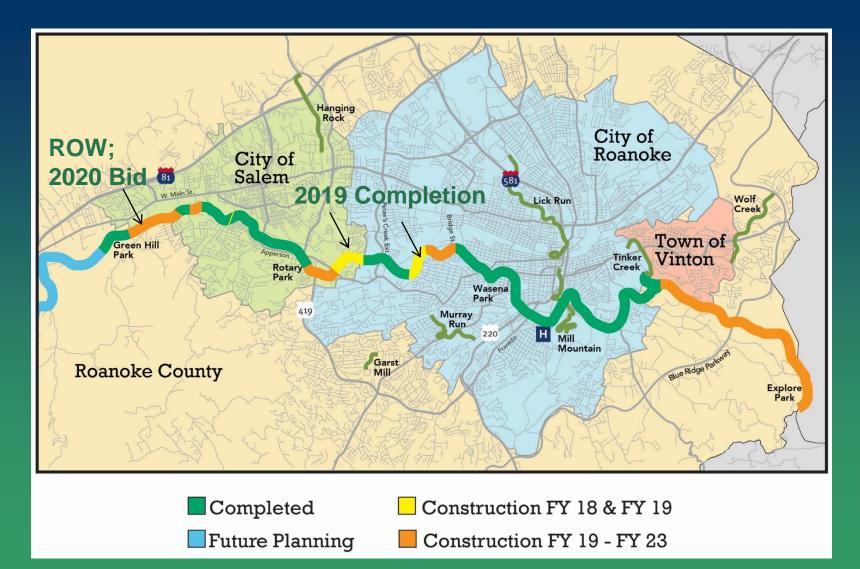
- Roanoke River Greenway
- Hinchee Trail
- Locality Projects
- Other Initiatives
- Next Year

#### From Last Year: What Will We See in 2019?

- Roanoke River Ribbon Cutting at Aerial Way
- ✓ Garden City Ribbon Cutting
- Hinchee Trail Ribbon Cutting
- ✓ Construction of East Main St.
- Construction of Cook Drive section

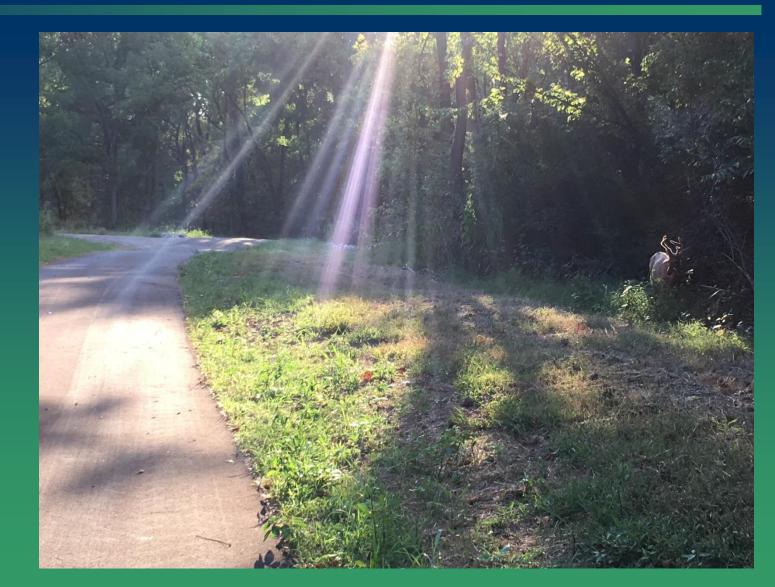
#### **Roanoke River Greenway - #1 Priority**

2018 Greenway Plan Map with 2019 Updates

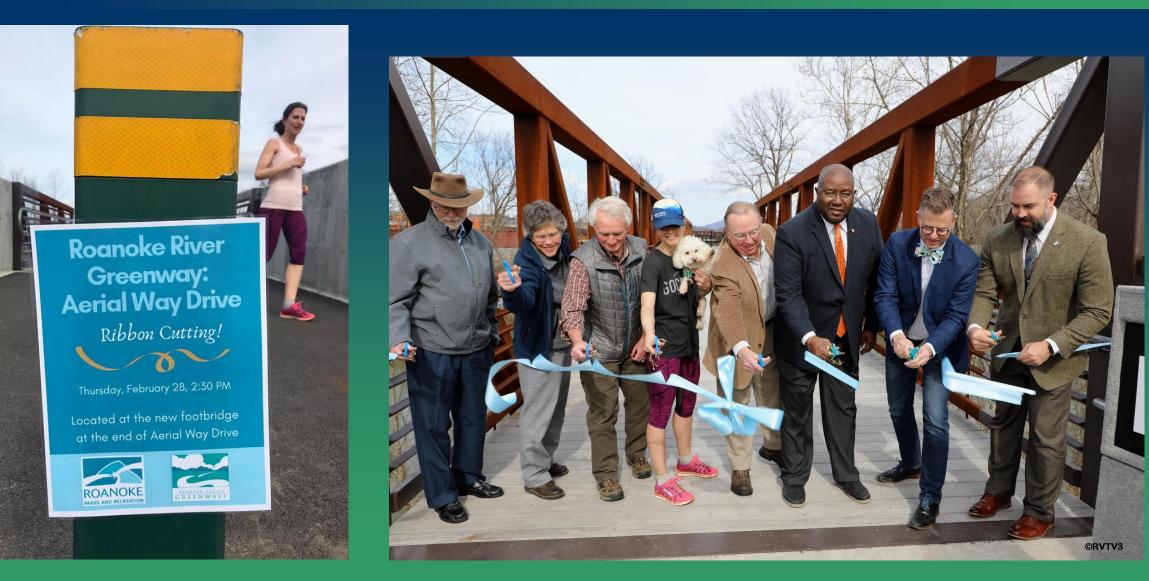


#### **Roanoke River Greenway – Cook Drive**





#### **Roanoke River Greenway – Aerial Way to NS Yard**



#### **Roanoke River Greenway**

#### West

- Acquired 4 of 5 ROW parcels (GH to Mill)
- Re-work of environmental
- Financing negotiations with VDOT

#### Barnhardt Creek

- Engineering sent to VDOT for review
- JPA submitted

#### Roanoke River Greenway - Bridge the Gap

- Walker Foundry sued the City
- Walker Foundry for sale



The property listing includes this site plan, which includes an extended Roanoke River Greenway, canoe landing, as a restaurant.

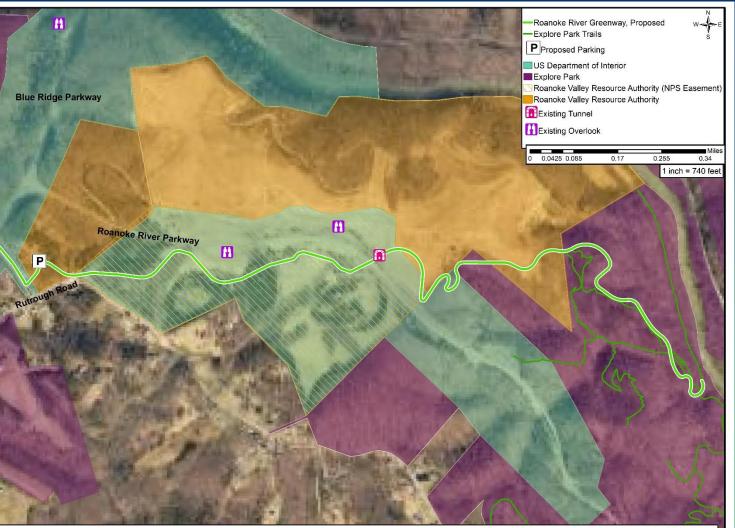
#### Roanoke River Greenway - East

- WVWA to BRP: ROW and environmental
- Holland Heirs Property may be available
- County application for additional funding under BRP
- City application for funding for bypass of Underhill



#### **Roanoke River Greenway - East**

 90% plans to Explore Park; environmental almost done





UPC 113356 East Roanoke River Greenway: Blue Ridge Parkway Crossing on Highland Road Date: 9/3/2019



#### **Hinchee Trail**

- Transfer 235 acres from Pathfinders and Hinchee Pace LLC to Roanoke County.
- Obtain ROW on the road from adjacent landowners who have a partial interest in it.
   Install gates, signs, parking lot.
   Grand opening.

#### **Hinchee Trail**



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#### Locality Projects – Town of Vinton

- 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Wolf Creek Greenway
- Bench in Honor or Lynn and Peggy Bryant





#### **Town of Vinton – Glade Creek Greenway**













#### Locality Projects – Town of Vinton

- E-Scooter/Dockless mobility device ordinance and policy to be adopted by December 17, 2019.
- STBG grant applications: Gus Nicks Boulevard Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing and Glade Creek Greenway Phase 3 Engineering Study.
- Town Website Redesign, Launch Aug. 29





#### Garden City Greenway







• Murray Run Greenway Repair (Hurricane damage 2018)





#### • Murray Run Greenway Bridge Deck Replacement - AECOM





- Morningside Trail
- Read Mountain Greenway
- Mill Mountain Trail Plan Update





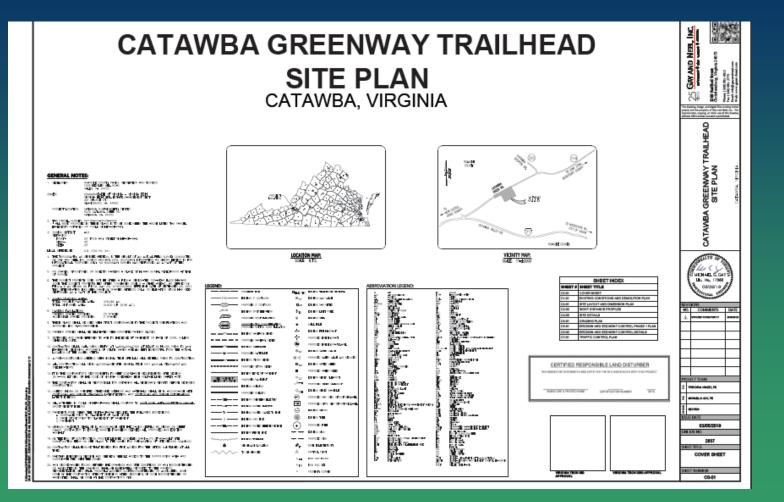
#### City of Roanoke - Trails at Carvins Cove





#### Catawba Greenway





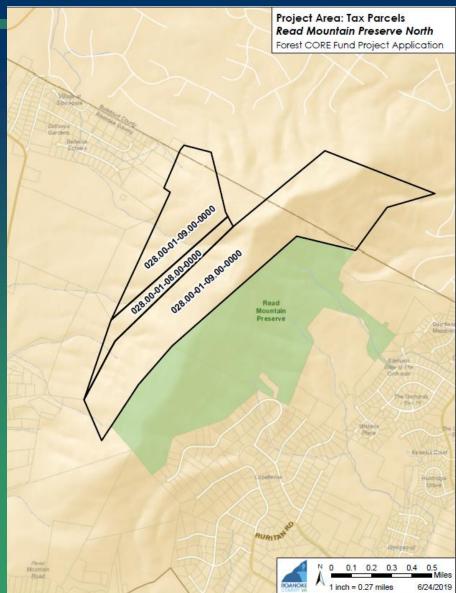
Explore Park







## Received VOF grant of \$600,000 for Read Mountain



#### Locality Projects – City of Salem





#### Locality Projects – Botetourt County

#### **Recreation Incentive Fund projects**

- Informational kiosk and highway signage at intersection of Blue Ridge Turnpike and US Forest Service 634. Sponsored by the Back Country Horsemen.
- Website blog posts with maps for selected national forest trails used for mountain biking, Buchanan-Arcadia area. Sponsored by Muddy Squirrel.
- Signage every 2-3 miles along the 45 mile stretch of the James River in Botetourt. Sponsored by James River Association and Twin River Outfitters.

## **Planning for the Future**

- Roanoke City Comprehensive Plan
- Roanoke City Parks Master Plan
- Rural Bikeway Plan
- Hollins Area Plan
- Oak Grove Area Plan
- 419 Plan



MASTER PLAN 2019-2028



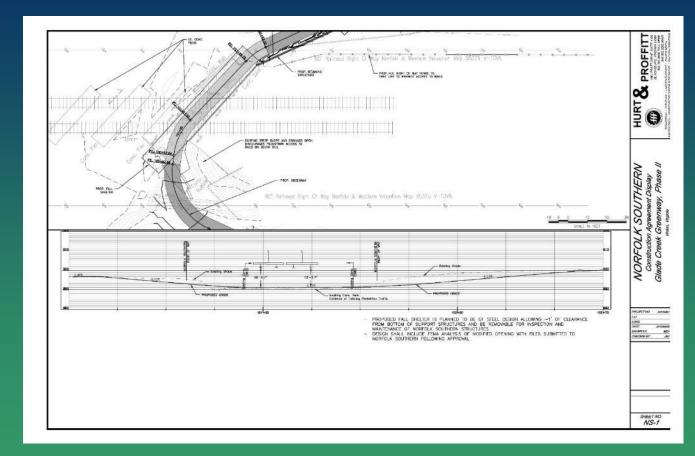






## Planning for the Future - Engineering

- Catawba Trailhead
- Glade Creek Phase 2b
- Tinker Creek Greenway



#### **Coordinating with Others in Region and State**

- Valley to Valley Trail
- AT Triple Crown
- LAP Conferences
- Virginia Trails

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#### **Coordinating with Others Locally**

- Clean Valley Day
- Niagara Relicensing



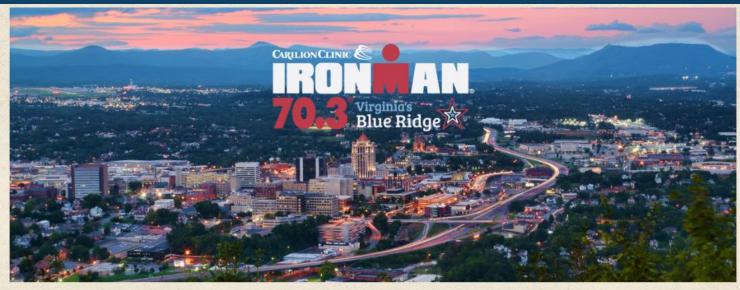




## **Celebrating (Enabling) Other Outdoor Initiatives**

#### IRONMAN

- Swimming at Carvins Cove – 1.2 mi.
- Biking from there to Rivers Edge 56 mi.
- Running on Roanoke River Grnwy – 13.1 mi.







#### Carilion Clinic IRONMAN 70.3 Virginia's Blue Ridge Triathlon

Roanoke, Virginia - Sunday, June 7, 2020

The Carilion Clinic IRONMAN® 70.3® Virginia's Blue Ridge triathlon will be held on

## **Staffing Changes**



## What Will We Do in 2020?

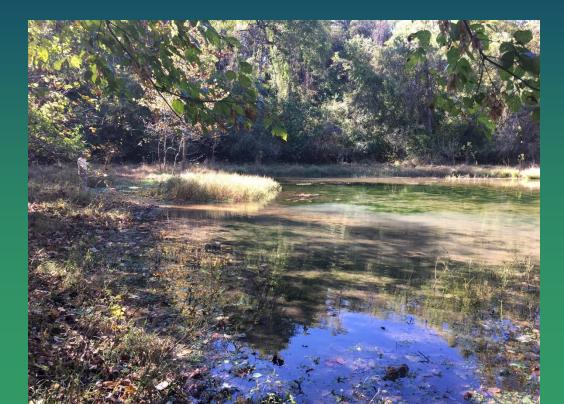
- Roanoke River West Construction
- Barnhardt Creek Bridge Construction
- Glade Creek Phase 2A Construction
- Boulevard Construction
- New Website
- Read Mountain Acquisition



#### What Might We Do in 2020?

- Roanoke River City Right-of-way? Walker?
- Holland Heirs Purchase?
- Fairland Lake Acquisition?





#### **Thank You to All Our Partners**

# Thank you to all who work so tirelessly on greenways and trails.



