

# WOLCOTT MILL METROPARK TO MACOMB ORCHARD TRAIL COMMUNITY INPUT SUMMARY



## Would You Use the Proposed Route?



**36%** Yes for Walking



**85%** Yes for Biking

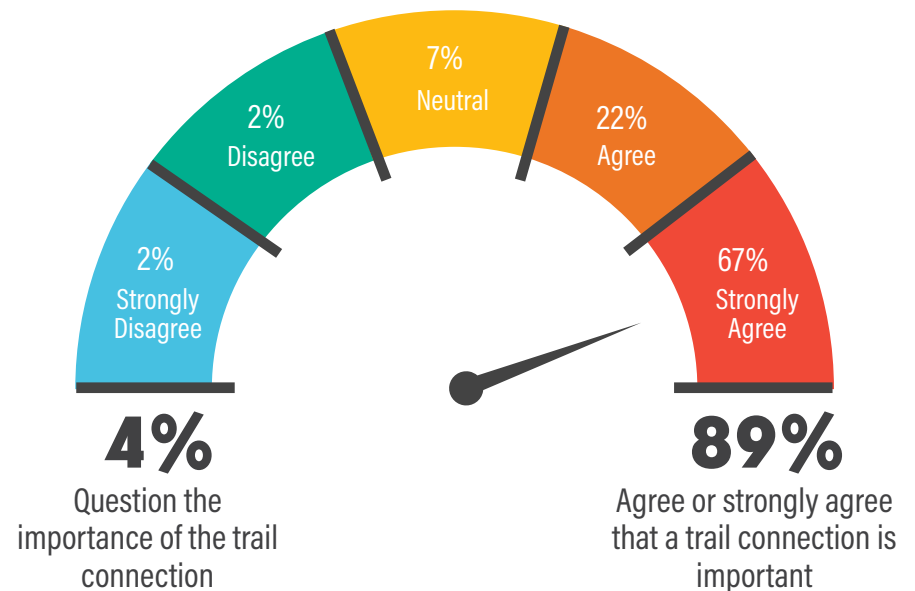


**19%** Yes for Running



**9%** Yes for Other  
Horseback Riding, E-bikes,  
Onewheel, Rollerblades, Dog  
Walking, Skiing, Geocaching

## It Is Important to Provide a Trail Connection Between Wolcott Mill Metropark and the Maccomb Orchard Trail.



This document provides a summary of the feedback gathered through an online survey conducted in the months of September and October 2023.

## What do you **LIKE** about the **Proposed Route:**



**Connectivity:** Respondents appreciated the proposed trail's connection to the Macomb Orchard Trail, enabling them to access more areas without resorting to dangerous road riding. People value the connections it establishes between the Farm Center, Library, and Historic Center.

**Safety and Scenic Route:** Respondents appreciated the natural setting of the proposed route, passing through the countryside near rivers, making it an attractive option for walking and biking. They emphasized the need for safer inter-park routes for walking, running, and biking, as well as the safety benefits that would encourage additional non-motorized trails in the area. The trail also serves as motivation for people to be active outdoors.

**Directness:** The straightforward nature of the route and its manageable length were often mentioned as favorable features. Residents also like the convenience of being able to access the park from their homes or cities.

## What do you **DISLIKE** about the **Proposed Route:**



**Safety Concerns and Traffic:** Many respondents expressed concerns about safety, particularly regarding heavy traffic along roads like Romeo Plank and 31 Mile. The apprehension is centered around the potential risks and discomfort associated with sharing these roads with cars, coupled with concerns about the potential impact of future urban development along these corridors. Respondents strongly desire dedicated, separate paths to ensure the safety of both walkers and cyclists. Some suggested exploring alternative routes with lower traffic volumes, such as 29 Mile Road or Wolcott Road.

**Preference for Nature-Oriented Routes and Expanded Trails:** Respondents advocate for scenic, off-road trails, expressing a desire to avoid busy roads. They recommend extending the trail to introduce more variety and loops, enhancing the overall experience for walkers and cyclists.

## Tell us anything else you feel is **Important:**



**Safety and Maintenance:** Respondents emphasized the importance of safety and well-maintained pathways. They expressed a preference for paved trails separated from vehicular traffic and underscored the need for routine trail maintenance.

**Desire for Additional Connections:** Respondents suggested the creation of additional connections, including links to the Clinton River Trail, Lake St. Clair Metropark, and other parks to enhance accessibility and convenience.

**Access and Amenities:** Respondents expressed a desire for trail access to amenities like restrooms, food options, camping opportunities, and water stations. They also highlighted the significance of ensuring accessibility and accommodating various non-motorized groups, such as bicyclists, pedestrians, equestrians, and small electric mobility devices.

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