

Bicycle, Pedestrian and Greenway Advisory Committee (BPGAC)

Wednesday, April 14, 2021 – 6:00PM

Grand Forks City Hall, 255 North 4th Street, room A102

Meeting Notes

I. Bikeway & Pedestrian Items

- a. **North Washington underpass project:** This will include a completely new street. The retaining wall beside the sidewalk is less than 5' at narrowest point.
- b. **2021 Bikeway map:** Now available at local bike shops. Will also be distributed to the GGF Convention & Visitors Bureau. Available online at the MPO website. Could boat ramps be added to future maps?
- c. **GGF Bridge:** A group of representatives from potentially affected neighborhoods, city councils, chamber, and other groups have met once. Next meeting will be in May, but date is undetermined. A virtual open house will be held at some point in the process. The bridge will be at a median height (street level). A bridge at Merrifield is still on the list. Non-pedestrian facilities would be a part of a new bridge. This could be a great opportunity for connections and features in the Greenway.

II. Greenway Items

- a. **Cross-country ski sign discussion:** Adding more signs in and around Lincoln Drive Park would be helpful. Snowshoes are not as much of a problem for the groomed tracks in the park as walkers and dogs. Add more signs educating people about the effects of walking on the track.
- b. **Disc golf at Riverside Park:** Working with three disc golf players to redesign the course for a beginner player. The new course will have more holes, but shorter distance to make it easier to play. Foot golf will also be added and will follow the same course pattern. These updates are in line with the mission to offer a variety of recreation to a more diverse level of players.

III. Other:

- a. **Cleaning lower trails:** Will the lower trails be cleaned after flooding? Yes. The lower trails are cleaned after the river mud dries and crews can scrape and sweep the trail.
- b. **Sinkhole at Sunbeam trailhead:** The fencing has fallen down and should be replaced. The sinkhole seems to be getting bigger. The problem is that an underground outfall pipe separated and washed away the surrounding ground. Engineering staff is working to get the pipe repaired.
- c. **Runners on 62nd Avenue South:** A resident is concerned about runners who use this road for their workout. There is no shoulder and traffic moves fast. More

sections of trail have been installed but there is still not a complete connection from Belmont Road to South Columbia Road.

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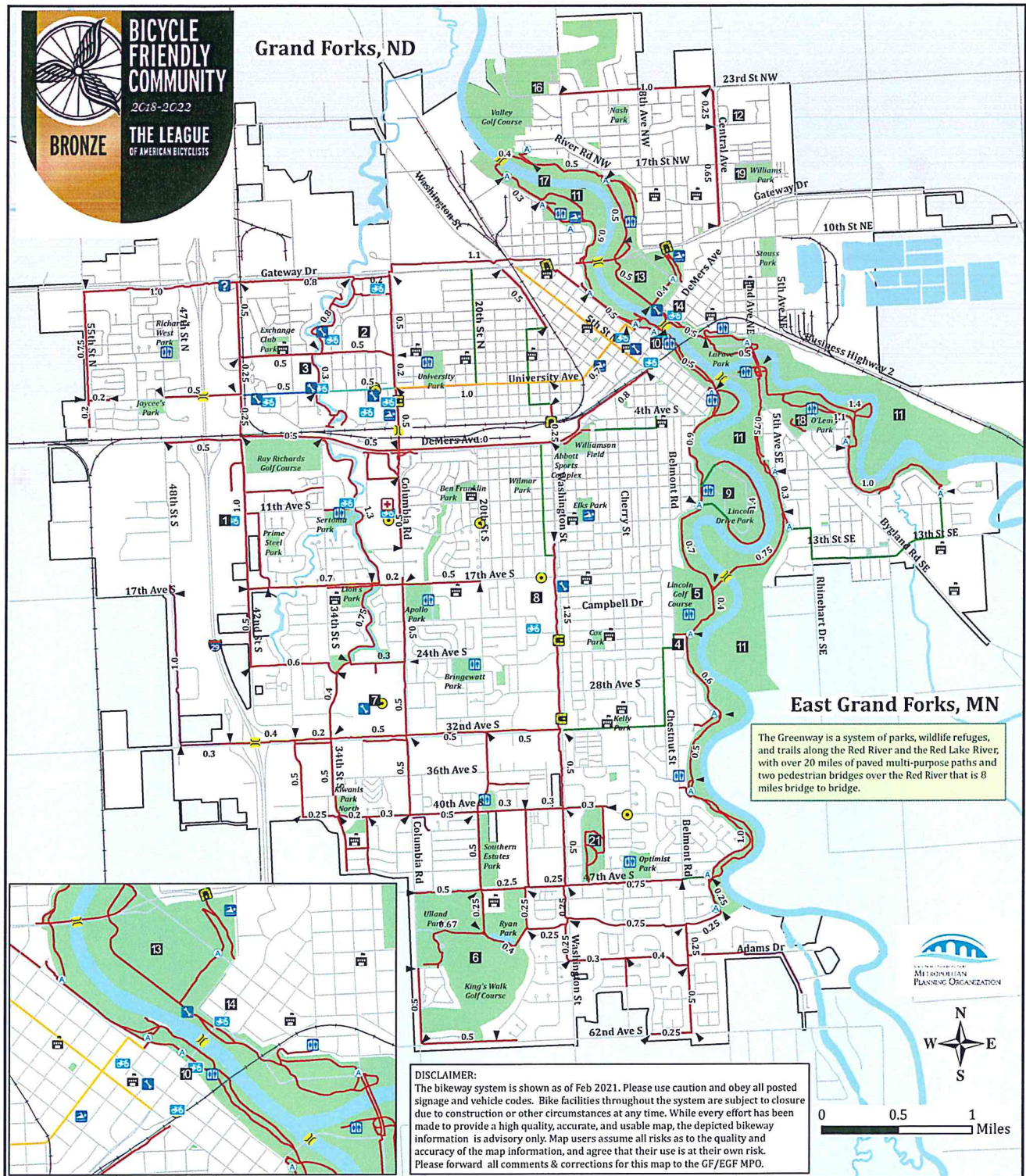
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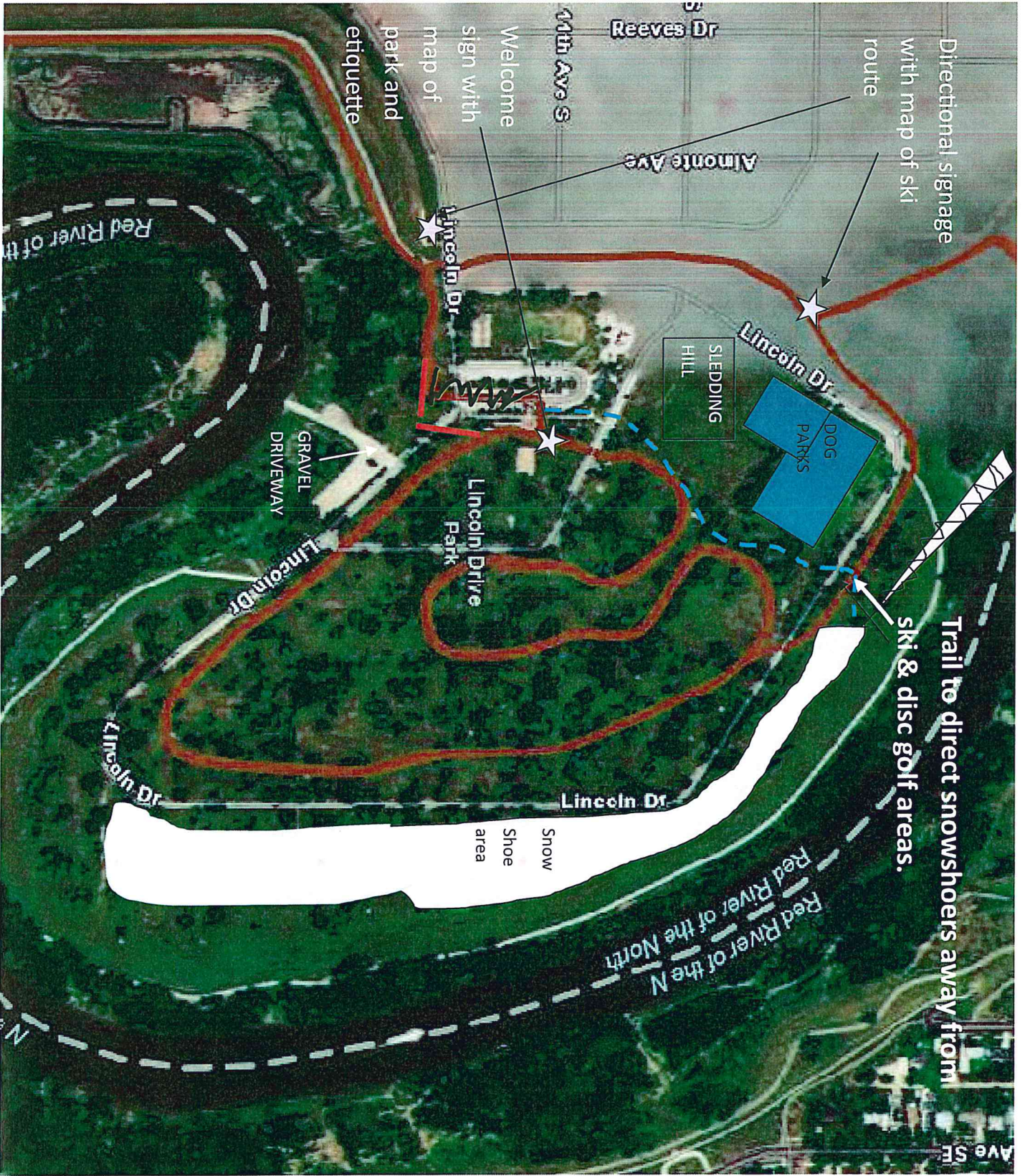
- Wild Cucumber vine information
- Communication with NDSU Extension office
- CD3 Watercraft cleaning station
- River access project at Kannowski Park
- Cottonwood removal and river access project downtown
- Riprap project at Riverside Dam

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 Kim Greendahl, Greenway Specialist

2021 Bikeway Map

Grand Forks, ND/East Grand Forks, MN





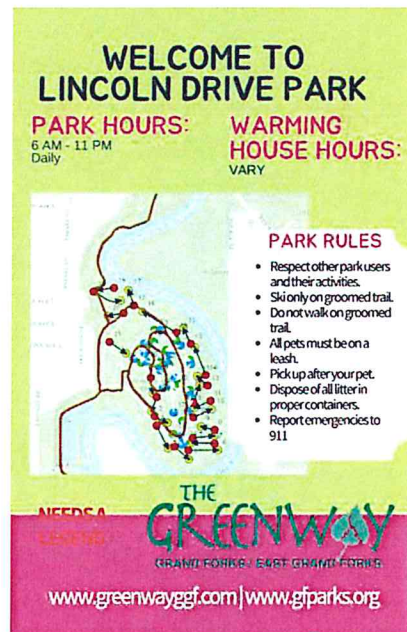
Cross-country ski sign plan

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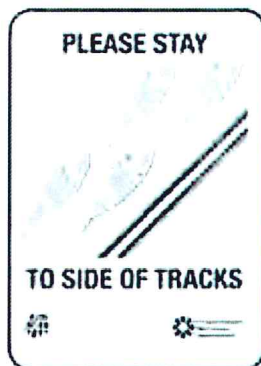
Welcome signs at access points



10 signs x \$250 = \$2,500 + shipping
Sign is a draft for example only. NOT
FINAL COPY
Printing posters is an ongoing expense



Along trail



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\$3.09 each + posts



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

We're looking for a few (or a lot) volunteers to help solve a growing problem in the Greenway – wild cucumber vines are taking over! We're looking for volunteers to help pull the vines off the trees for disposal.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15 5 PM - 7 PM

SATURDAY, APRIL 17 10 AM - NOON

- Sorlie Bridge in EGF (Meet south of Demers Ave adjacent to the Cabelas lot)
- Lincoln Drive Park (Meet in NW corner of park, on the outer loop road)

Project details available
at <https://bit.ly/2PD5swF>