
PUBLIC NOTICE and OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT

The City of Saint Paul proposes to construct a trail from Battle Creek Regional Park at the Northernmost point along Battle Creek Regional Park Entrance Road to Bailey Road. The proposed project will construct a new off-street multi-use trail between the north end of Point Douglas Road and Bailey Road in Saint Paul, connecting to a trailhead and picnic area at Battle Creek Regional Park. This trail will create a continuous off-street connection between Saint Paul and Washington County, linking major segments of the regional bike commuter and recreational trail systems while reducing conflicts between vehicles and trail users. The project includes excavation, construction of the trail, stormwater drainage improvements, and the addition of amenities such as lighting, benches, bike racks, trash receptacles, an underpass at Lower Afton Road, and ADA-compliant curb ramps.

In accordance with Section 6009 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Public Law 109-59, enacted August 10, 2005, the City of Saint Paul is soliciting comments on the effects this project would have on Battle Creek Regional Park. The project would include De Minimis impacts and temporary easements in the southwest corner of the Battle Creek Regional Park parking lot at the north end of Battle Creek Park Entrance Road, where trailhead access is located.

It is anticipated that the City of Saint Paul will request the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to determine that the proposed action at Battle Creek Regional Park is a Section 4(f) de minimis action in accordance with Section 6009(a) of SAFETEA-LU. A *de minimis* finding may be made when uses of Section 4(f) land will have no adverse effect on the protected resources.

Information on this project and updates are available at the following website [Point Douglas Regional Trail Design and Construction | Saint Paul Minnesota](#) or at the following locations:

Saint Paul Parks & Recreation Department (Attn: Bryan Murphy)
City Hall Annex
25 West 4th Street, Suite 400
Saint Paul, MN 55102

Saint Paul Public Library (Sun Ray branch of the Saint Paul Library System)
2105 Wilson Ave
Saint Paul, MN 55119

There will also be a newspaper publication and direct mailing to owners and occupants of contiguous properties adjacent to Battle Creek Regional Park.

Comments must be submitted on or before January 9, 2026, to Bryan Murphy, Landscape Architect at the City of Saint Paul Parks and Recreation address presented above. You may email Bryan Murphy at bryan.murphy@ci.stpaul.mn.us Comments will become part of the official record and will be considered when making future project related decisions.