

East Branch DuPage River Trail (EBDRT)

Public Information Meeting #1 - April 29, 2025



Welcome!

The purpose of this open house is to gain public input on the East Branch DuPage River Trail (EBDRT) issues, needs, and alternatives. We invite you to view exhibits, talk to project engineers and staff, and complete the Trail Survey or comment form.

Project Overview

The DuPage County Division of Transportation (DuDOT) is currently developing routes to extend the EBDRT from St. Charles Road to Butterfield Road (IL 56). In its entirety, the EBDRT is a planned 28-mile regional trail in central DuPage County, intended as a multi-use path in the vicinity of the East Branch DuPage River (EBDR).



Project Goals



Provide recreational benefits



Support multimodal travel



Improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety



Use natural setting near river, if possible



Achieve low-impact and cost-effective solution



Inter-community non-motorized connectivity

Frequently Asked Questions

Will there be environmental impacts?

The goal of the Phase I Study is to determine a preferred alternative which balances project needs, including minimizing impacts. Alternatives will be evaluated to ideally avoid environmental impacts; however, if unavoidable, then environmental impacts will be minimized to the extent practicable, and any impact will be mitigated based on Federal, State, and Local requirements.

Is it true that 1,000 trees will be removed with this project?

No, while the number of trees impacted has not been determined yet, it is very unlikely that many high-quality trees would need to be removed given the surrounding land uses.

How will the trail route be ultimately decided?

DuPage County and its partner agencies have the final authority to decide on the preferred alternative. DuDOT is seeking stakeholder input to help inform their decision.

All comments received by May 16, 2025, will be included in the public record.

Share Your Feedback!

Following the end of the Public Information Meeting #1 comment period, DuDOT will utilize public input received to finalize the alternatives evaluation and select a preferred alternative. Public Information Meeting #2 will be held to present and gain public feedback on the preferred alternative.



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Project Study Area

This EBDRT project intends to extend the trail from the Illinois Prairie Path in Glen Ellyn south to Butterfield Road (IL 56) in Lombard. The Alignment Study (see EBDRT.com) considered a range of alternatives and one alternative was identified north of IL 38 and two alternatives were identified south of IL 38 which best meet project goals, however we welcome additional ideas.

