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Public input sought to shape the future of the Razorback Greenway

SPRINGDALE, Ark. (April 29, 2025) — The Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has launched a public survey to gather input for the Razorback Greenway Corridor Plan. The plan, made possible through a planning grant from the Walton Family Foundation’s Northwest Arkansas Design Excellence Program, will guide future development along the 40-mile trail, enhancing smart growth, connectivity and quality of life across the region.

The Razorback Greenway Corridor Plan will:

- Integrate trail-oriented development (TOD) to support vibrant, mixed-use areas,
- Address housing accessibility by identifying opportunities for diverse housing near the trail,
- Promote environmental innovation through natural infrastructure and open space planning,
- And ensure robust public input throughout the process.

Survey link: <https://form.typeform.com/to/RNlkuaDG>.

“As Northwest Arkansas continues to grow, we have an opportunity to think more broadly about how the Razorback Greenway serves the region,” said Tim Reavis, multimodal planner of Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission. “Hearing from the public will help us shape a corridor plan that reflects community needs and supports quality of life.

“This is an important moment—as our population moves toward 1 million by 2050, the Greenway can play a bigger role in how we connect, commute and grow together,” Reavis said.

Community members, trail users and local organizations are encouraged to take the survey and share how they use the Greenway today—and what they’d like to see in the future.

About the Razorback Greenway Corridor Plan:

Building on the success of the Greenway, which now connects seven cities and has become a hallmark of the region, the Corridor Plan will set a vision for how land use, housing, sustainability, and development align with the trail system.

The grant was announced by the Walton Family Foundation in December 2024. More details: <https://www.waltonfamilyfoundation.org/walton-family-foundation-announces-new-design-excellence-projects>

About the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission

The Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission is a governmental organization formed through a cooperative agreement in 1966. It has since grown to include 38 units of government and other public agency partners across Benton, Madison, and Washington counties in Arkansas, as well as a portion of McDonald County in Missouri. NWARPC serves as a forum for cooperative decision-making, develops federally mandated transportation plans, convenes stakeholders to address shared planning challenges, and provides information and staff resources to our member agencies and the public.

Designated the region's Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in 1983, NWARPC oversees the 3C transportation planning process, ensuring comprehensive, cooperative, and continuous planning necessary for regions to qualify for federal transportation funding.