



PLAN HIGHLIGHTS

- Identifies a 152-mile network of Regional Bikeways that links together communities within St. Bernard and St. Bernard Parish to its neighboring parishes. The network includes the 14-mile Mississippi River Trail, the 26-mile 40 Arpent Trail, and 15 miles of other regional bikeways that will link people to the major regional trails.
- The Local Network includes on-street bikeways that are designed to make it safer and easier to travel by bicycle to local destinations such as employment sites, shopping areas, schools, transit routes, and parks. These include signed bicycle routes, marked shared lanes, bicycle lanes, neighborhood greenways, and shoulder routes. All are designed to make it safer and easier for people to travel by bicycle.
- The current plan incorporates the Parish's 2016 Complete Streets Policy (we are 1 of only 3 Louisiana parishes with an adopted policy) which identifies 47 miles of sidewalks to be installed or improved and 56 specific pedestrian crossing improvement projects.



Rendering Mississippi River Trail along Levee



Rendering Forty Arpent Trail in Chalmette

(Over)

PLAN IMPLEMENTATION STATUS REPORT

- Over \$16 million in federal, state, and private grants have been received and/or committed to date to build improvements identified in the plan.
- Approximately 106 total miles of bikeways have been constructed as of July.2024.

Bikeway Type	Approximate Miles Constructed
Multi-Purpose Trails	14.64 total miles including Val Riess Park (2016), Palmisano (2018), LA 39 Village Square (2023), MRT Phase I&II (2023), Forty Arpent Trail Phase I (Arabi to Violet, 2024)
Bicycle Lanes	10.33 miles
Marked Shared Lanes	20.99 miles
Neighborhood Greenways	0.58 miles
Signed Bicycle Routes	21.26 miles
Shoulder Bikeways	38.52 miles

- Under construction is the St. Bernard State Park Trail Connector slated for 2024-25 completion.
- Additional phases of the Mississippi River Trail are in engineering for segments in Poydras, Chalmette, Braithwaite, and Meraux as well as a second Mississippi River Trailhead in Meraux. Also in engineering is the Paris Road Forty Arpent Bridge which is expected to begin construction in 2025-26, the Jean Lafitte Trail along north Jean Lafitte Pkwy., and the Judge Perez Enhancements Project which includes a trail along LA39 near Walmart.
- Approximately \$770,000 in new pedestrian improvements are planned for 2024 construction including new LA 39 sidewalks in Violet which supplement recent improvements in Delaronde area and Old Arabi.
- All Parish buses are equipped with bicycle racks.
- New Trail Use Rules were enacted in July 2024.

A copy of the Parish's plan is available on our website under the *Public Information* tab and under the *Bikeways and Trails* heading (www.sbp.net). For further information, please contact deborahfagannola@yahoo.com



Proposed 40 Arpent Bridge Over Paris Road



Funded Pedestrian Improvement Project