Bunts Rd. Rehab Project

Fact Sheet

Scope of Work

The Bunts Road Rehabilitation Project is a complete overhaul of the corridor's water mains, sewer system and storm drains, road surface, curbs, sidewalks, a new shared-use path, and safety features.



Why are Trees Being Removed?

The Bunts Road Project is primarily a roadway replacement project with complete water and sewer improvements. The sewer improvements are required by Lakewood's agreement with the Federal Government.

Unfortunately, to install the new sewer line, trees must be removed on the west side of Bunts Road. This new sewer line requires an increase in the number of storm drains to accommodate storm water and meet current roadway design standards. Additionally, the installation of new water mains, gas lines, and other improvements may necessitate tree removal.

For every project, the City of Lakewood goes to great lengths to preserve and protect trees and is committed to maintaining and growing our urban canopy.

When the project is completed, the finished tree lawn widths will allow the City to plant new medium- to large-sized trees.

Why Put a Shared Use Path on Bunts?

Lakewood's **Active Transportation Plan** and **Safety Action Plan**, adopted in 2024 by Lakewood City Council, guide the designs and features for new transportation projects within the city.

These plans were created after a thorough public process involving voices from residents and many local organizations and stakeholders.

Bunts Road's characteristics (e.g. traffic volume, connections to other bike routes, presence of traffic signals at major intersections) make it an ideal location for a shared use path per ODOT guidelines.

Public Engagement Timeline



Nov. 2022-Mar. 2024
Development process of Active Transportation Plan that included online community surveys and maps, personal interviews, community pop-ups, and public meetings.

April 15, 2024
Active Transportation Plan adopted by City Council.





April 25, 2024
Letters sent to residents of Bunts Rd. informing them of the project.

Yard signs placed along Bunts Rd. advertising the public meeting on the project.



May 7, 2024
Public Meeting held at Lakewood HS; two conceptual plan options presented for public review and comment.

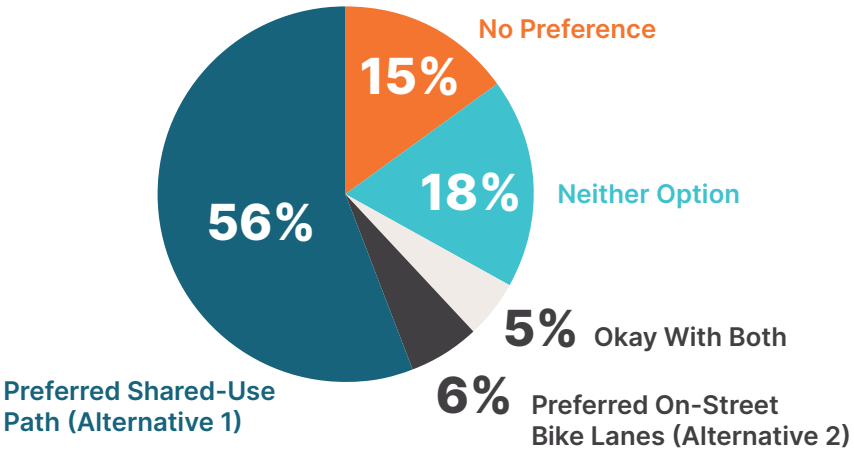
Public comment period through **June 9, 2024.**



June 6, 2024
Planning Commission met to discuss Bunts Project. Members of the public attended and shared feedback.

At the meeting, the Commission recommended the Shared-Use Path Plan (Alternative 1).

Public Comment Summary





Did You Know?

The Bunts Road project will not be the first location of a shared-use path in the city.

In 2021, Lakewood installed a shared-use path along Detroit Ave. near the Metroparks entrance. The path was part of a water and sewer replacement project that allowed the introduction of many features that enhance pedestrian safety, including shorter crosswalks.

This shared use path provides a vital connection between dense residential and commercial areas on the west end of Lakewood, the City of Rocky River, and the Metroparks Rocky River Reservation.

Find More Information About the Bunts Project, Including:

- Project Drawing
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Design changes made based on public comments

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