



# East Fallowfield Township

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Open Space, Recreation & Environmental Resources Plan Update

Partially Funded by the Chester County Vision Partnership Program

Committee Meeting #4

Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 7:00 – 9:00 PM

# Meeting Agenda

- Public Participation Update
- Potential Open Space & Rec Expansion / Acquisition
- Revised Proposed Trail Connections
- Preliminary Administrative Analysis
- Preliminary Recommendations
- Discussion
- Next Steps



# Project Schedule

Meeting Type	Date	Time
Committee Meeting #1	Monday, May 22, 2023	7:30pm-9:30pm
Committee Meeting #2	Wednesday, June 14, 2023	7pm-9pm
Public Meeting #1 – Project Intro / Brainstorming	Monday, June 26, 2023	7pm-9pm
Web-Based Survey	June 26, 2023 - February 7, 2024	
Wikimapping	June 26, 2023 - February 7, 2024	
Committee Meeting #3	Thursday, September 7, 2023	7pm-9pm
Public Meeting #2 – Initial Concepts	Thursday, September 28, 2023	7pm-9pm
Focus Group Meeting #1 – Active Recreation	Thursday, October 5, 2023	11am-12pm
Focus Group Meeting #2 – Passive Recreation	Thursday, October 5, 2023	2pm-3pm
Key Person Interviews (6)	TBD	TBD
<b>Committee Meeting #4</b>	<b>Thursday, October 26, 2023</b>	<b>7pm-9pm</b>
Committee Meeting #5	Thursday, December 7, 2023	7pm-9pm
Committee Meeting #6	Thursday, January 25, 2024	7pm-9pm
Public Meeting #3 – Draft Plan	Thursday, February 29, 2024	7pm-9pm
Committee Meeting #7	Thursday, April 25, 2024	7pm-9pm
Public Meeting #4 – Final Plan	Thursday, May 30, 2024	7pm-9pm

# Public Participation Update

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# Review of Public Meeting 2 – September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023

- Proposed connections are local, not regional, trails
- Obtaining easements is a long and complicated process
- Trees and other riparian vegetation help to clean and cool water
- Brandywine Greenway Plan is a broader, generational plan
- Eminent domain is rare
- If a parcel is marked on the Official Map for future open space and is proposed for residential development, Township can negotiate with owner for compact units, more open space, etc.
- Brownfield site on Mortonville Rd. could be considered a high priority because of its high potential for use as open space/recreation
- E-bikes make it easier to navigate challenging topography
- PA state law requires a 4' passing distance when passing cyclists
- DCNR gave over \$70 million in grant funding last year
- Other funding sources include an increase in the EIT where the increased portion goes into an open space fund or having a referendum to issue bonds to acquire open space

# Review of Active Recreation Focus Group: Oct 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

- Introduce a dog park at the West Chester Road parcel
- Triple Fresh moved BBQ and Farmer's Market to Doe Run Road
- Interest to develop senior community at Sisk Farm – if there is an influx of seniors, now is the time to address their needs:
  - Fitness circuits, ADA accessible trails, shade, good lighting, benches
- As more people come into the Township, there is no opportunity to do active sports in Community Park outside of courts
- Fields or pickleball courts could be introduced at new Township site south of Middle School
- Applied for grant for electricity and lighting for gazebo at Park
- If Mortonville site is acquired, next step would be to prepare a Master Plan – could be a nice, passive site or boat launch
- Disc golf would also be good at the West Chester Road site
- Head of Fieldcrest Village HOA discussed donating land for a trail
- Best thing at Newlinville parcels would probably be new houses but it is restricted for use as open space

# Review of Passive Recreation Focus Group: Oct 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

- Older developments do not have sidewalks
- Off-road improvements along Strasburg Rd. are impossible because of development
- Notice cyclists early in the morning
- Misty Patch Road is nice to ride; Mortonville Road is primed for some kind of trail
- Opportunity for connection with Caln Township via the West Chester Road site
- DCNR can send forester to this site to identify invasives
- Pollinator gardens or meadows at W. Chester site?
- If farmland along Route 82 could be acquired, it could be used for ball fields
- Looking to see how Community Park can fulfill active needs
- Sisk Farm is nearly 70 acres with prime agricultural soils
- You would not put a trail on a parcel with an agricultural easement
- Ag. Easement permanently protects land and requires it to be farmed; ASA is protection that enables farmers to do their business without nuisances
- Mortonville site would be a great partnership opportunity with Modena
- Maintenance is a long-term responsibility but would be minimal
- For the Park, do things like bocce first, then something like pickleball in the next phase

# Review of Key Person Interviews

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## Chester County Parks & Recreation

- Not aware of any parcels County has marked for preservation or conservation in the Township
- When we provide funding for park development, we require the land to be preserved in perpetuity as parks or open space
- County is looking to help the recreational needs of growing populations and changing demographics

## East Fallowfield Parks & Rec Committee

- Residents go elsewhere for active recreation, and they shouldn't have to
- Focus more on improvements at Community Park
- County is looking to help the recreational needs of growing populations and changing demographics
- Good turnout at events: July 4<sup>th</sup> concert, Easter egg hunt, Trunk or Treat
- Reuse the site of elementary school after closure for recreational fields



# Review of Key Person Interviews

## Community Park Pond Volunteers

- Decrease in fish population and in water quality
- Access is limited to fishing pier and some small paths, most of the perimeter is protected
- Pond needs dredging; at least an aerator
- Outflow is toward Buck Run Road; a green overflow pipe fed by groundwater discharges; Sediment has probably closed off groundwater
- Any drawdown of water has to be environmentally compatible with geotechnical stability of soils and biofauna
- Pond has no phosphate or nitrate problem

## East Fallowfield Planning Commission

- There are sports leagues in adjoining municipalities
- Goosetown parcel is limited to gravel improvements and parking
- Biggest issues in Newlinville are stormwater management and traffic calming
- Ideal goal would be to connect neighborhood trails and Chester Valley Trail in Coatesville
- Housing development with approx. 120 units proposed for South Coatesville along Youngsburg Rd.
- Maybe something like village commercial zoning at Strasburg Rd. and Route 82

# Review of Key Person Interviews

## Caln Athletic League

- Merged with Coatesville Little League; Cover 11 municipalities; 100-150 kids from East Fallowfield
- Primarily use Caln Municipal Park and Scott Field in Coatesville
- Dependent on volunteers; Have relationships with municipalities to maintain grass
- Don't use synthetic fields but we'd like them
- Have to share fields in the Fall for baseball and football
- Need for new lighting; ours are at least 60 years old
- Challenge to get coaches; Have over 150 now

## East Fallowfield Police Department

- We see vehicular break-ins at the Park, hoping to alleviate with cameras, but this is generally one of the nicer areas of the Twp
- Dangerous roads are Mortonville, Strasburg and Hephzibah
- Bicycle accidents aren't always reported; Can't recall pedestrian accidents
- Officers are present at events; Have tents set up; Generally, people are in good behavior
- Lighting would be good at the Park
- Haven't had issues on trails near homes
- AED was recently installed at Park; EMS has easy access

# Review of Key Person Interviews

## Brandywine Conservancy

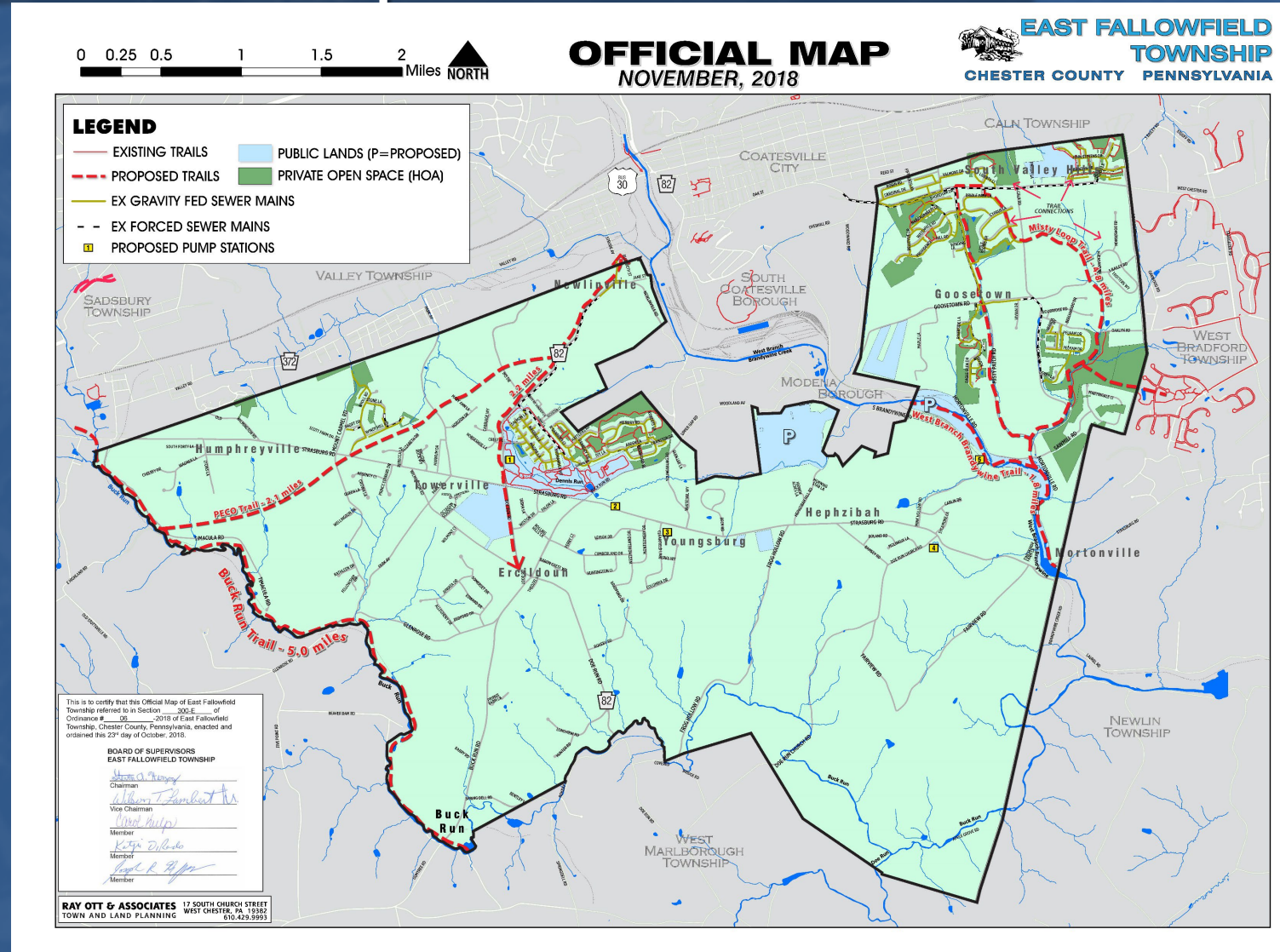
- Don't think old Conservancy easements from the 1980s would prohibit a trail
- Work with Modena to acquire the Beagle club site; They wanted to have a park
- Conservancy placed an easement on the Goosetown site for open space, then transferred it over to the Township; Evidence of camps, deer and hunting here
- HOAs are generally fine with internal trails for residents; Goal of Chester County is outreach to HOAs for trail connections
- Brownfield site needs to be mowed regularly to protect integrity of clay liner
- Closing Mortonville Rd. on weekends might make it appealing to cyclists; Close road for access to the beer garden, slowly build it into something
- Easements are agricultural and resource-protection focused
- If Beagle club, and the ecological services it provides, could be acquired via a partnership with East Fallowfield and Modena, it would be a win
- Would be a joint applicant between the 2 municipalities and would serve a wider population
- Laurels Preserve has 15,000 visitors annually; Parking is limited to 12 spots

# Potential Open Space & Rec Expansion / Acquisition

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# Potential Open Space & Rec Expansion

- East Fallowfield Township Official Map - Completed in 2018
- **An Official Map is an effective negotiating tool for municipalities,** helping to ensure long-term preservation of open space
- An Official Map can include:
  - Existing and proposed **public parks, playgrounds and open space**
  - Existing and proposed **trail alignments**
  - Flood control areas, **floodways and floodplains, stormwater management areas** and drainage easements



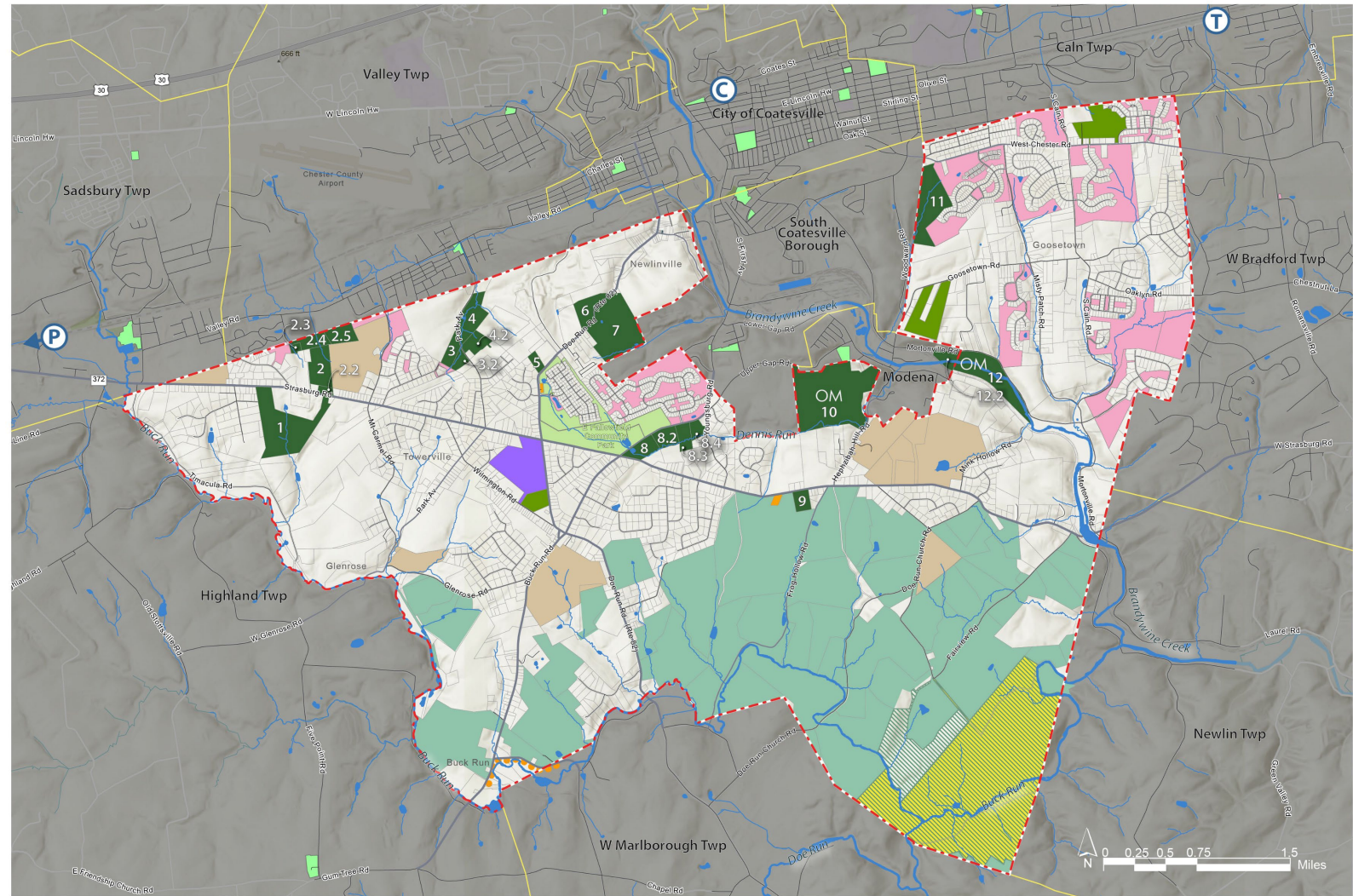
# Potential Open Space & Rec Acquisition

- Mix of undeveloped open space, agriculture, wooded areas, slopes, creeks/streams, adjacent to HOA lands

- Potential Open Space Parcels
- OM Proposed Public Lands – from East Fallowfield Township Official Map, 2018

## Existing Conditions

- East Fallowfield Township Boundary
- Municipal Boundaries
- Parcels
- Water Body
- Local (Township) Road
- Turnback Township Road
- State Route
- Township Open Space (Passive)
- Township Recreation (Active)
- Other Township Properties
- School District Properties
- Other Local / Neighborhood Parks
- Home Owners Associations
- Agricultural Easements
- Parcels with Easements held by Brandywine Conservancy
- Parcels Owned In-Fee by Brandywine Conservancy
- Parcels with Easements held by Natural Lands
- Parquesburg Station (AMTRAK)
- Coatesville Station (AMTRAK)
- Thorndale Station (SEPTA)



# Potential Open Space & Rec Acquisition

- Parcel 1 – Strasburg Rd. behind Weaver Mulch
  - Size: 64 acres
  - Characteristics:
    - Buck Run tributary
    - Could be used for athletic facilities
    - Prime agricultural soils on less than 50% of the site
    - Adjacent to single family residential development on 3 sides



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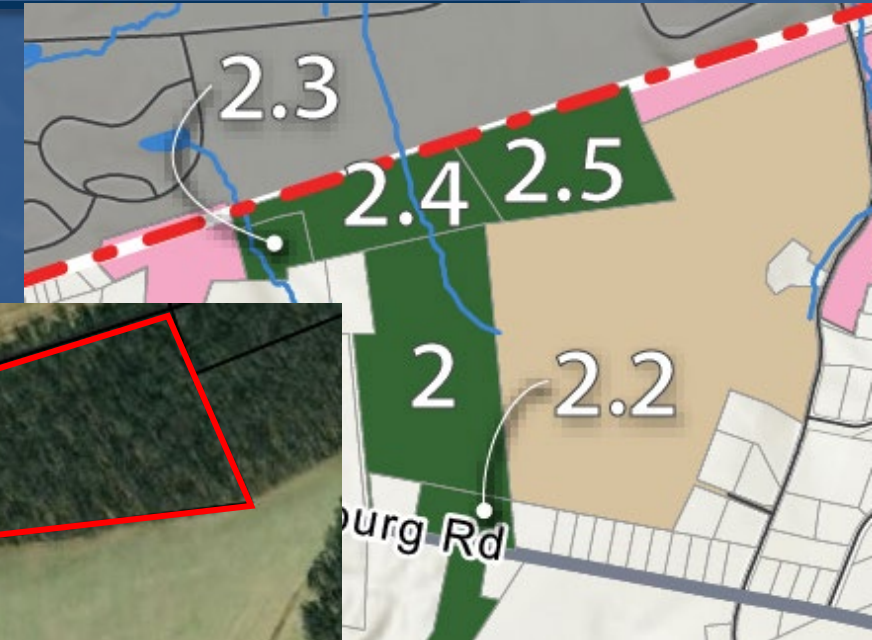




# Potential Open Space & Rec Acquisition

- Parcels 2, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 – Strasburg Rd. opposite Weaver Mulch

- Size: 44.5 acres
- Characteristics:
  - Headwaters onsite
  - Could be used for athletic fields
  - Prime agricultural soils on at least 50% of the site
  - Adjacent to agricultural land and HOA land
  - Adjacent to single family residential development on 3 sides
  - Adjacent to multi-family development
  - Woodlands coverage at rear of site



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- Parcels 3, 3.2, 4, 4.2 – Park Ave., near asphalt plant

- Size: 47.6 acres

- Characteristics:

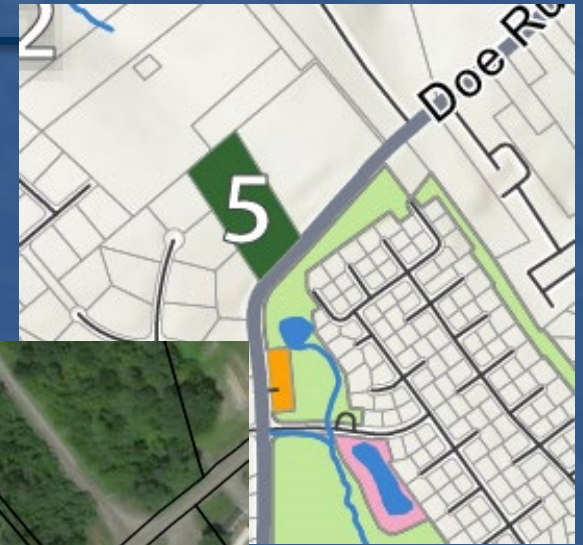
- Headwaters onsite and on adjacent parcels
- Could be used for resource protection; passive open space
- Agricultural soils of statewide importance on less than 50% of the site
- Woodlands coverage on 50-75%+ of the site
- Adjacent to HOA open space
- Adjacent to single family residential development
- Presence of historic site



# Potential Open Space & Rec Acquisition

- Parcel 5 – Doe Run Rd., wooded lot next to A Safe Self Storage

- Size: 4.7 acres
- Characteristics:
  - Possible athletic field use
  - Prime agricultural soils on at least 50% of the site
  - Woodlands coverage on 50-75% of the site
  - Adjacent to Community Park
  - Adjacent to single family residential development on 2 sides
  - Presence of trails



# Potential Open Space & Rec Acquisition



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- **Parcels 6, 7 – Doe Run Rd., Sisk Farm**
  - Size: 69.5 acres
  - Characteristics:
    - Headwaters on adjacent parcel
    - Could be use for athletic fields
    - Tributary to Sucker Run on site
    - Prime agricultural soils on at least 50% of the site
    - Woodlands coverage on 25-50% of the site
    - Adjacent to single family residential development on 1 side
    - Presence of historic site

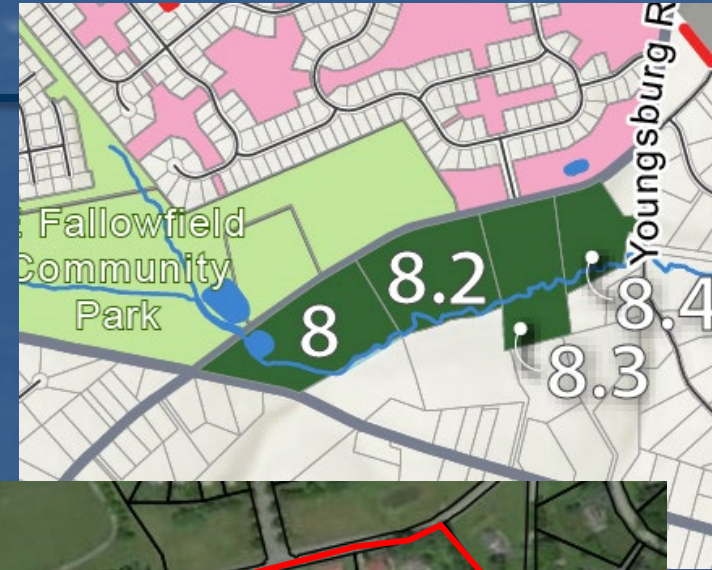


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- **Parcels 8, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4 – Buck Run Rd., opposite Community Park**
  - Size: 36.9 acres
  - Characteristics:
    - Presence of Dennis Run
    - Former dairy farm / Existing residence
    - Farm structures add to cultural landscape
    - Prime agricultural soils on at least 50% of the site
    - Woodlands coverage on 25-50% of the site
    - Adjacent to Community Park
    - Adjacent to single family residential development
    - Presence of historic site
    - Presence of wetlands
    - Planned trails





# Potential Open Space & Rec Acquisition



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- Parcel 9 –Elementary School Site

- Size: 7.5 acres
- Characteristics:
  - Adaptive reuse of building?  
Community / senior center?
  - Prime agricultural soils on at least 50% of the site
  - Adjacent to permanently preserved land
  - Adjacent to single family residential development on 2 sides



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- Parcel 9– Beagle Club (on Official Map)

- Size: 106.8 acres
- Characteristics:
  - Presence of Dennis Run
  - Could be used for open space preservation / passive recreation
  - Trail along greenway
  - Prime agricultural soils on at least 50% of the site
  - Woodlands coverage on 50-75% of the site
  - Adjacent to agricultural land
  - Adjacent to single family residential development on 4 sides
  - Adjacent to historic site
  - Planned off-road trails



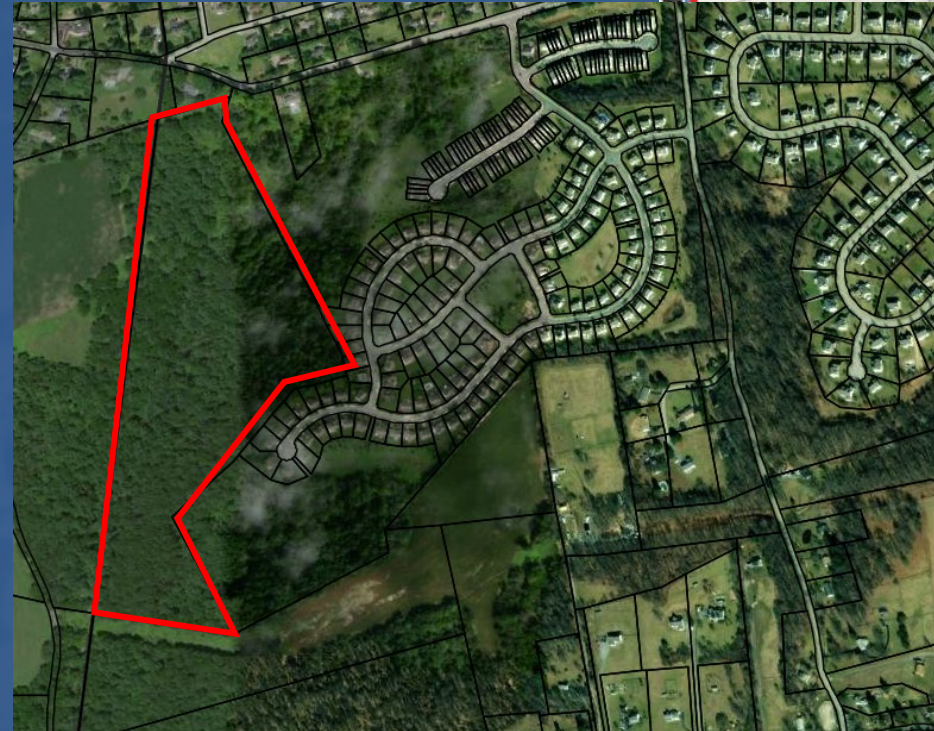
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- Parcel 10– Open Space Adjacent to Providence Hill Development

- Size: 41.7 acres
- Characteristics:
  - Tributary of Brandywine Creek on site
  - Constrained for development / conservation value / open space
  - Prime agricultural soils on less than 50% of the site
  - Woodlands coverage on at least 75% of the site
  - Adjacent to HOA land
  - Adjacent to single family residential development on 2 sides
  - Adjacent to neighborhood trails



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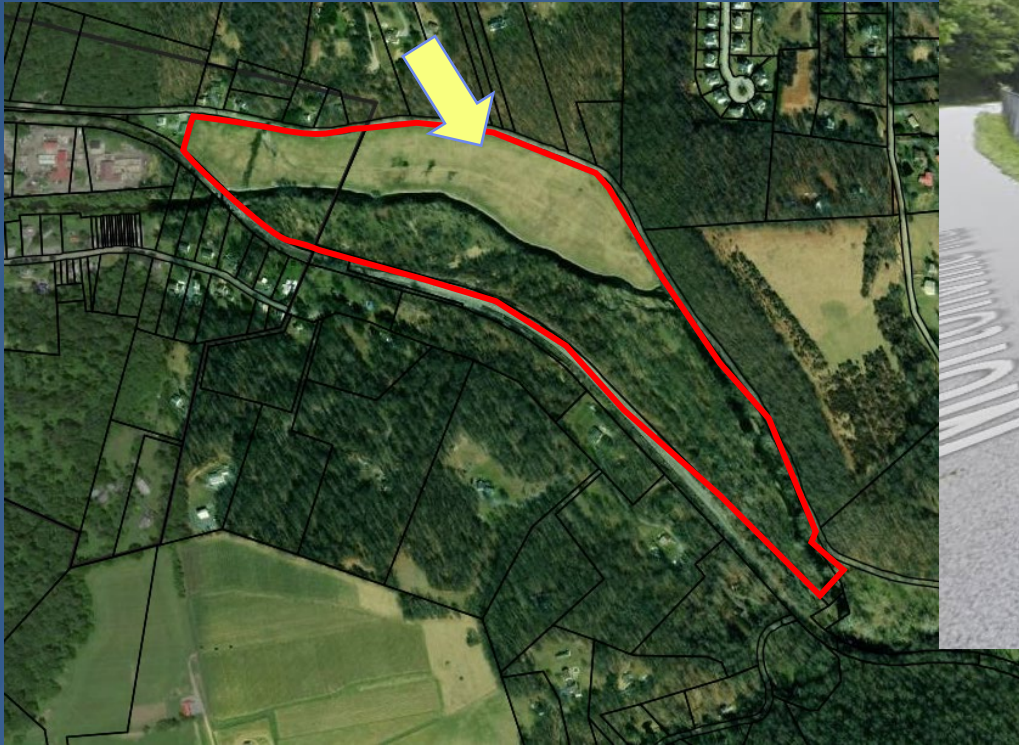
- Parcel 12, 12.2– Brownfield Site Along Mortonville (Priority Site / On Official Map)

- Size: 45.7 acres
- Characteristics:
  - Brandywine Creek on site
  - 75% of site is in the 100 Year Floodplain
  - Potential for passive recreation / kayak launch / picnic
  - Partnership with Modena
  - Prime agricultural soils on at least 50% of the site
  - Woodlands coverage on 50-75% of the site
  - Planned off-road trails



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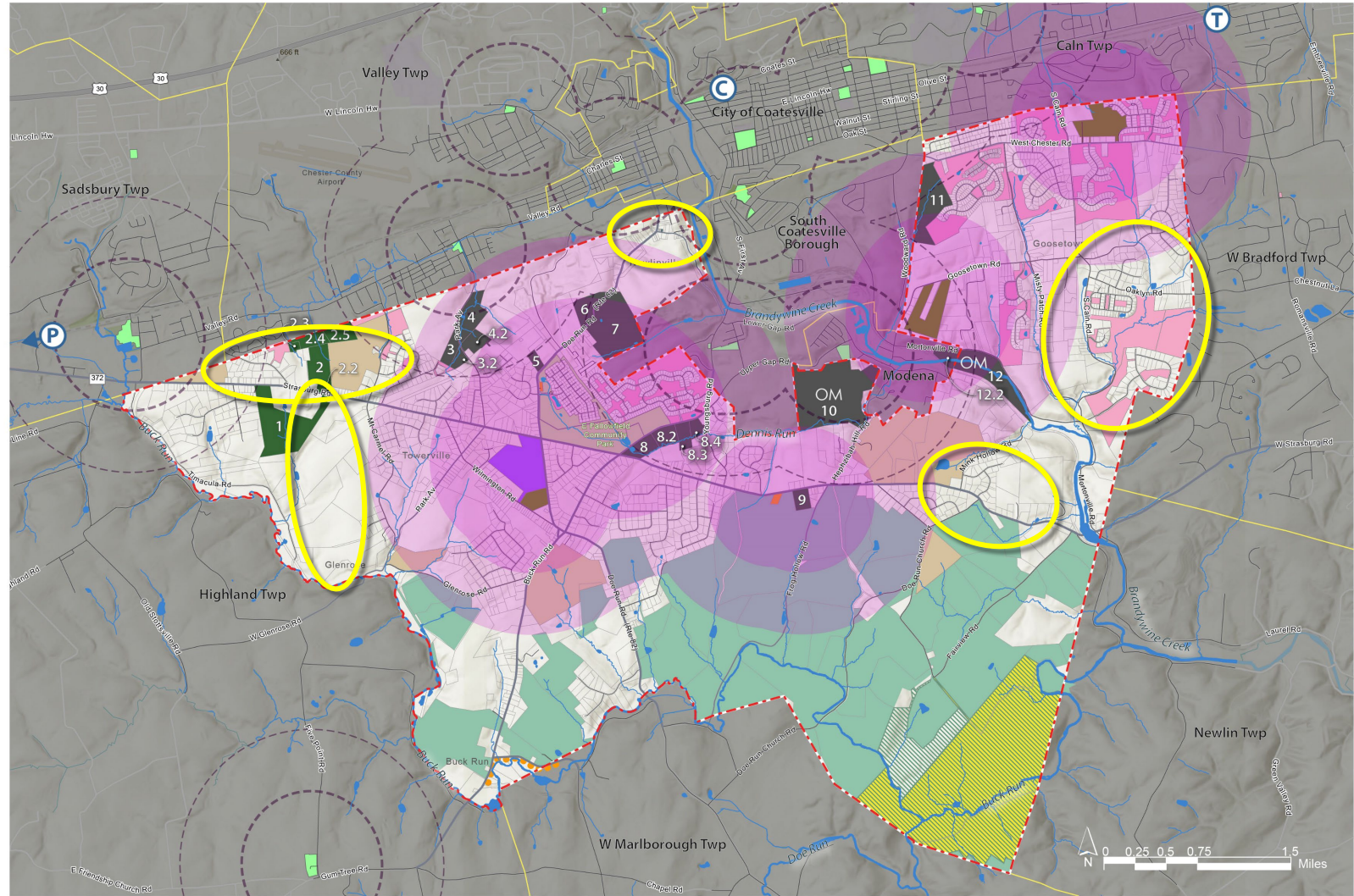


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- Park & Open Space Service Mapping (0.5- to 1-mile radius)

 Gaps in rec network

*Begin to address the gaps*



# Community Benchmarking

East Fallowfield Township – 2020 Population: 7,626

## Benchmarked Communities:

- Upper Milford Township, Lehigh County  
– Population: 7,777
- London Grove Township, Chester County  
– Population: 8,797
- Providence Township, Lancaster County  
– Population: 6,995
- North Coventry Township, Chester County  
– Population: 8,441
- South Hanover Township, Dauphin County  
– Population: 7,209
- Union Township, Hunterdon County, NJ  
– Population: 6,507

Community Benchmarking - Existing Facilities (East Fallowfield 2020 Population)				
	East Fallowfield Township, Chester County (2020)	Benchmark Municipalities Average (2020)	East Fallowfield Difference from Average	East Fallowfield Difference from Maximum
Population	7,626	7,621	5	-1,171
Area (Sq. Miles)	15.61	16.83	-1.22	-5.02
2020 Pop. Density per Sq. Mile	489	476	12	-144
# of Parks	1	3	-2	-5
Park Area (Acres)	104.72	296.15	-191.43	-625.75
<b>Facility</b>				
Baseball / Softball / T-Ball	0	3	-3	-8
Basketball	0	1	-1	-2
Biking / Hiking Trail / Walking Track	1	2	-1	-4
Football	0	0	0	0
Multipurpose Field	1	1	0	-2
Pavilion / Rental Space	2	2	0	-2
Pool	0	0	0	0
Tennis	0	1	-1	-3
Pickleball court	0	0	0	0
Tennis/Pickleball combo court	0	0	0	0
Skate Park	0	0	0	0
Soccer	0	2	-2	-5
Volleyball	0	1	-1	-5
Playgrounds	1	3	-2	-6
Disc Golf	0	0	0	-1
Street Hockey / Ice Skating	0	0	0	0
Dog Park	0	0	0	-1
Fishing	0	0	0	-2
Amphitheater	0	0	0	0
Community Center	0	0	0	0
Recreation Center	0	0	0	0
Boat/Raft Launch	0	0	0	-1
Gaga Ball	0	0	0	0
Community Garden	0	0	0	-1

# Community Benchmarking

East Fallowfield Township – 2045 Population: 9,769

## Benchmarked Communities:

- East Bradford Township, Chester County  
– Population: 10,339
- Willistown Township, Chester County  
– Population: 11,273
- Lower Swatara Township, Dauphin County  
– Population: 9,531
- Worcester Township, Montgomery County  
– Population: 10,317
- Upper Leacock Township, Lancaster County  
– Population: 8,921
- Chesterfield Township, Burlington County, NJ  
– Population: 9,422

Community Benchmarking - Existing Facilities (East Fallowfield 2045 Population)				
	East Fallowfield Township, Chester County (2045)	Benchmark Municipalities Average (2020)	East Fallowfield Difference from Average	East Fallowfield Difference from Maximum
Population	9,769	9,967	-198	-1,504
Area (Sq. Miles)	15.61	17.87	-2.26	-5.84
Pop. Density per Sq. Mile	626	566	60	-18
# of Parks/OS	1	7	-6	-21
Park Area (Acres)	104.72	341.74	-237.02	-1373.88
<b>Facility</b>				
Baseball / Softball	0	4	-4	-6
Basketball	0	2	-2	-4
Biking / Hiking Trail / Walking Track	1	6	-5	-16
Football	0	0	0	0
Multipurpose Field	1	2	-1	-4
Pavilion / Rental Space	2	1	1	0
Pool	0	1	-1	-3
Tennis	0	2	-2	-4
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# Parcels to Add to the Official Map

- *Recommended parcels to add to the Official Map*
- *Not all parcels will be acquired*
- *Parcel 10 (Beagle Club-106.8 acres) and Parcel 12 (Brownfield Site-39.4 acres) are already on the Official Map*

Parcel Number	Site	Size (Acres)	Potential Use
1	Strasburg Rd. behind Weaver Mulch	64	Athletic Facilities
2, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5	Strasburg Rd. opposite Weaver Mulch	44.5	Athletic Facilities
3, 3.2, 4, 4.2	Park Ave., near asphalt plant	47.6	Resource Protection, Passive Open Space
5	Doe Run Rd., wooded lot next to A Safe Self Storage	4.7	Athletic Fields
6, 7	Doe Run Rd. – Sisk Farm	69.5	Athletic Fields
8, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4	Buck Run Rd., opposite Community Park	36.9	Cultural Landscape
9	Elementary School site	7.5	Adaptive Reuse; Community / Senior Center
11	Open space adjacent to Providence Hill	41.7	Conservation / Open Space
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>316.4</b>	
<b>TOTAL (Including Beagle Club and Brownfield Site)</b>		<b>462.6</b>	

# Addressing the Deficits

Year	Deficit in Park Acreage	Addition	Updated Deficit/Surplus
2020	<b>-191</b>	<b>146.2</b> acres from the Beagle Club and Brownfield Site (currently on the Official Map)	<b>-44.8</b>
2045	<b>-237</b>	<b>146.2</b> acres from the Beagle Club and Brownfield Site (currently on the Official Map)	<b>-90.8</b>

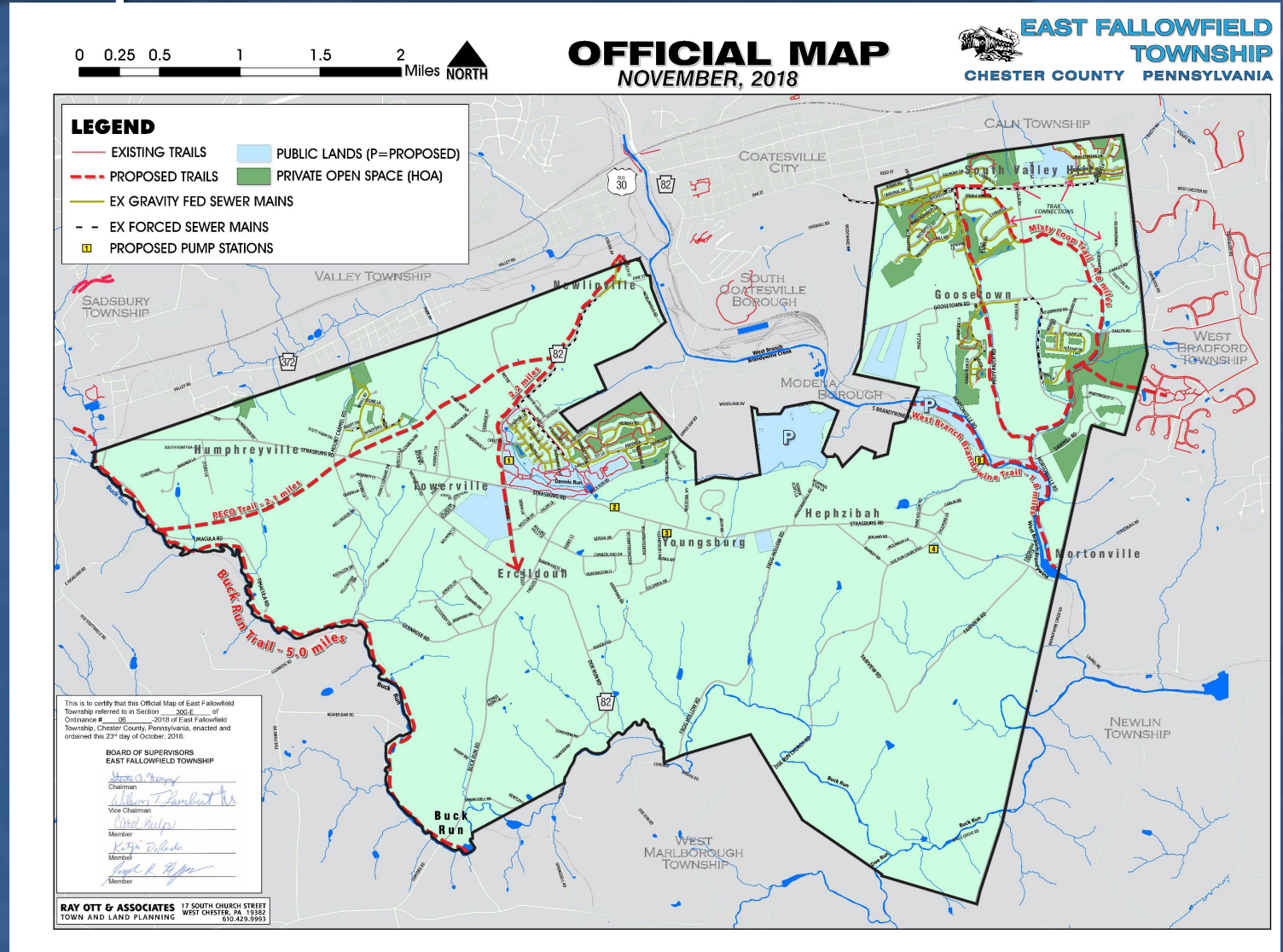
*\*If 2 of the larger parcels are added, the deficit will be addressed – they would provide 80-100 acres of additional open space*

# Revised Proposed Trail Connections

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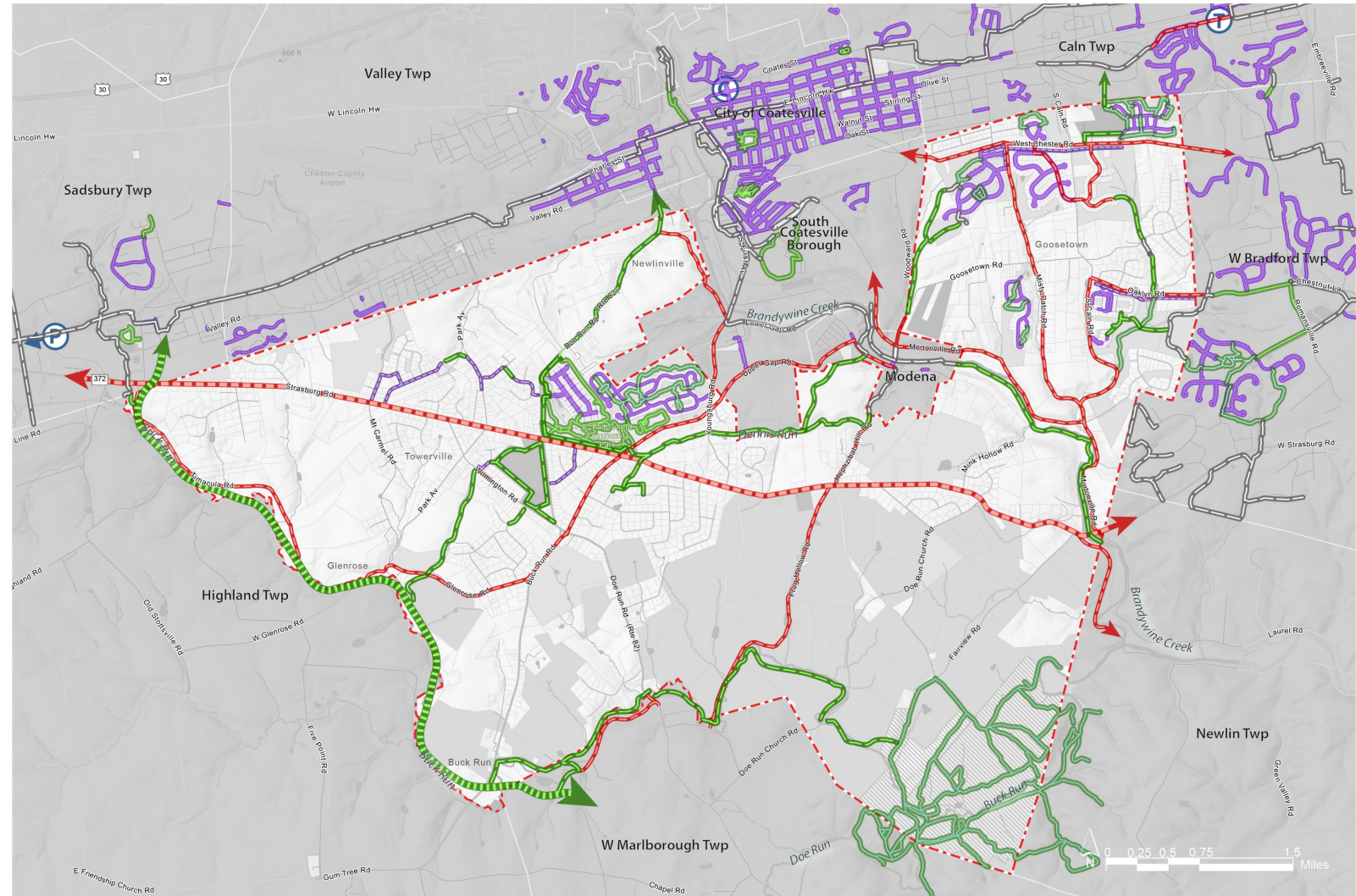
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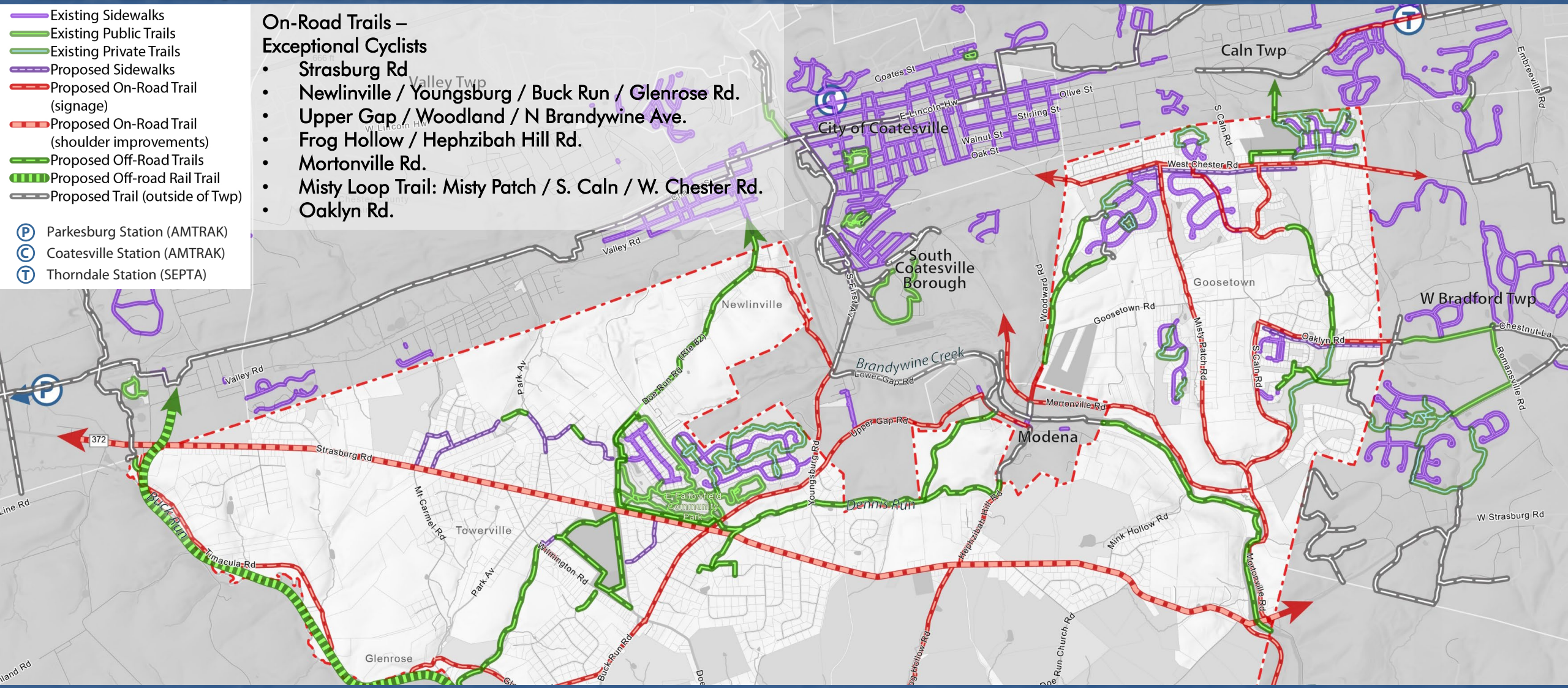


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## On-Road Trails – Exceptional Cyclists

- Strasburg Rd
- Newlinville / Youngsбург / Buck Run / Glenrose Rd.
- Upper Gap / Woodland / N Brandywine Ave.
- Frog Hollow / Hephzibah Hill Rd.
- Mortonville Rd.
- Misty Loop Trail: Misty Patch / S. Caln / W. Chester Rd.
- Oaklyn Rd.

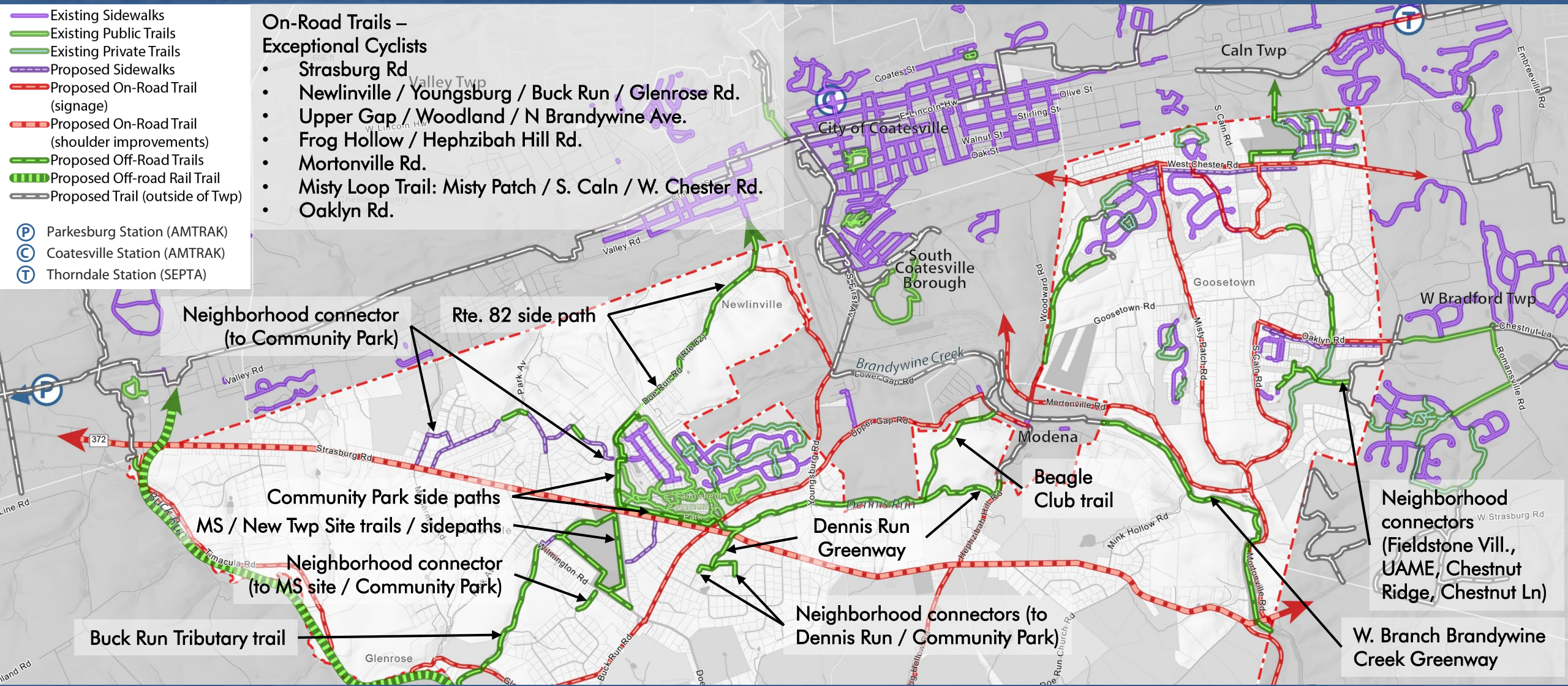


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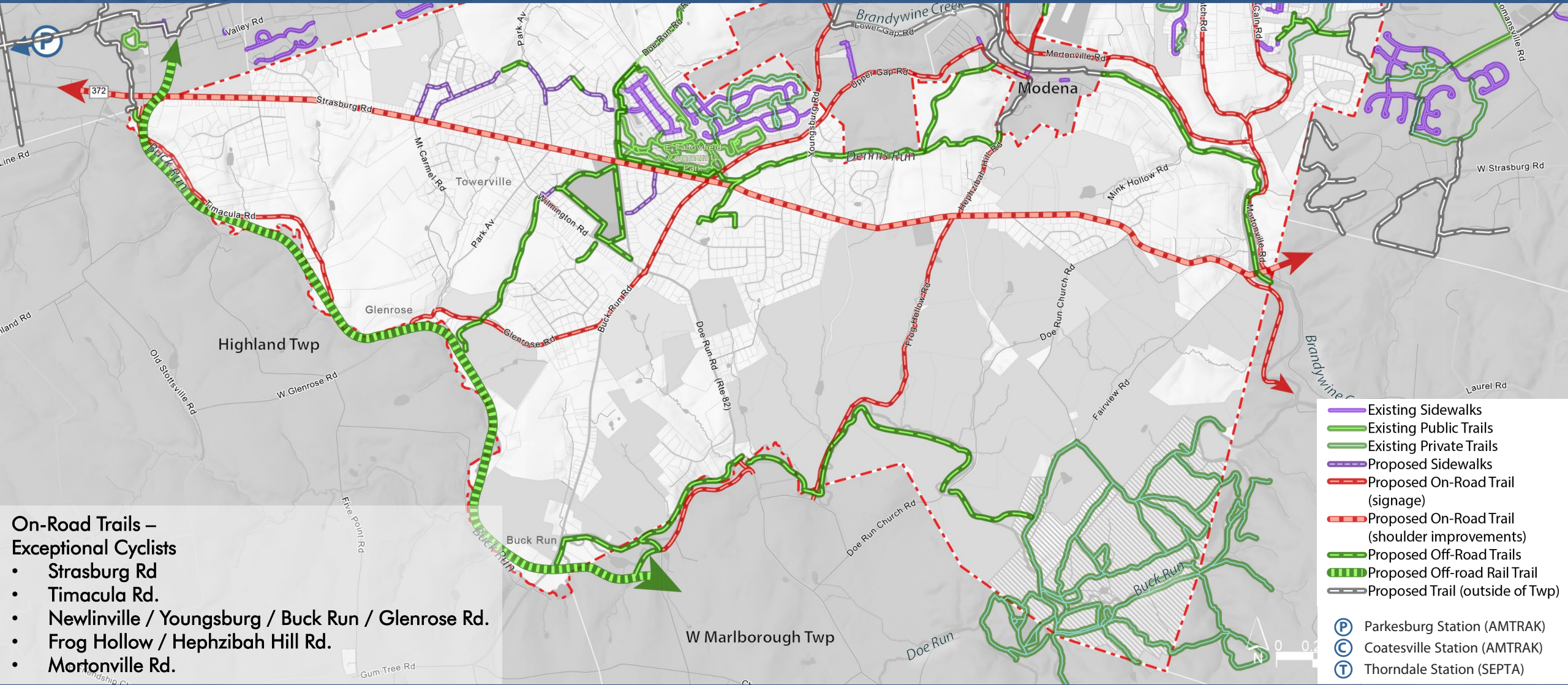
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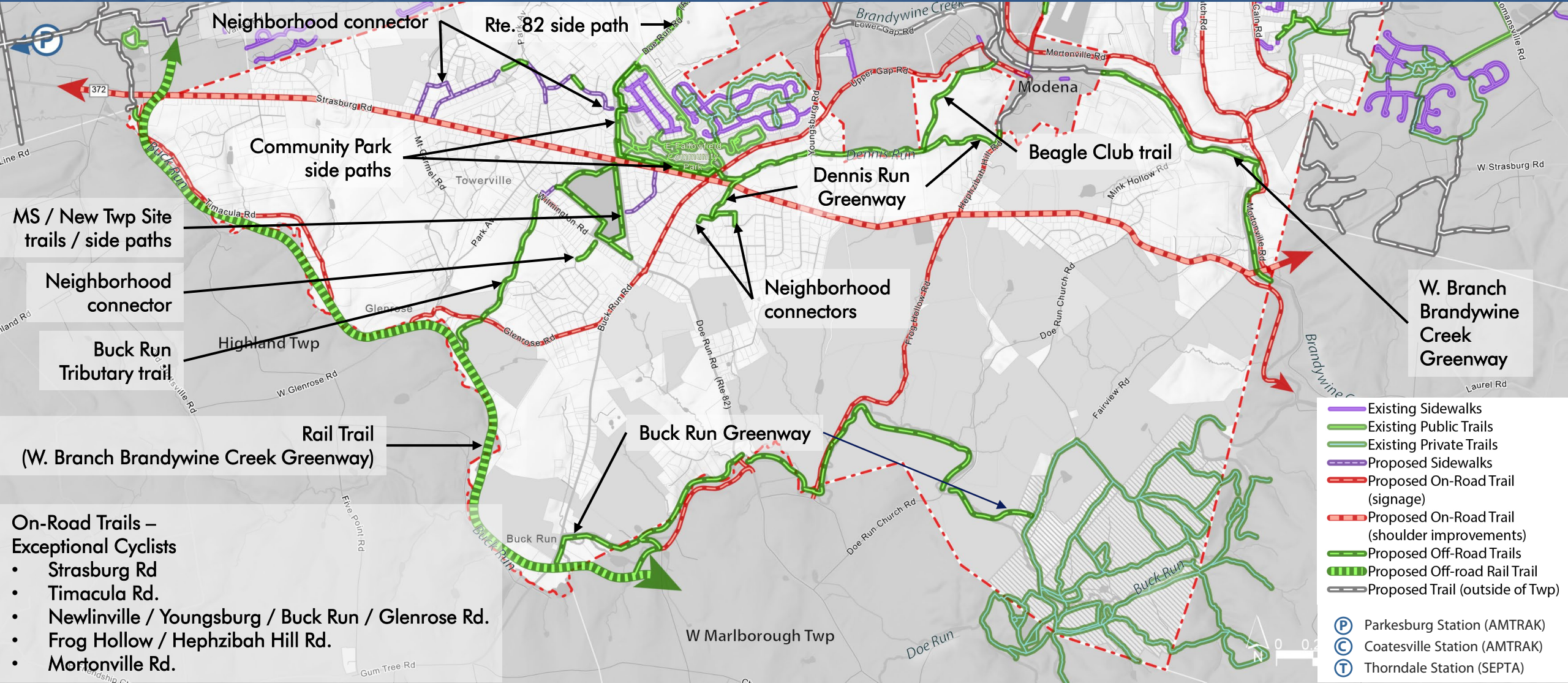
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- Oaklyn Rd.



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# Preliminary Administrative Analysis

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- Administration of Parks and Recreation
  - Administration is handled through administration staff who share in all the work, each has their responsibilities for administration; however, all lend a hand to ensure all work, even beyond their individual scope, is completed
  - The Parks and Recreation Committee provides volunteer services for offerings
  - The system needs to be streamlined with responsibilities as to who is responsible for what pertaining to recreational activities
  - Program ideas (mostly special events) are developed through various sources, administration staff, volunteer board, past successes, and other means
  - Limited staff hours means staff does not have time to commit to recreation due to other administrative functions



# Preliminary Administrative Analysis

- Budgeting
  - The Manager presents the annual operational and capital budget to the Board of Supervisors
  - Ideas for recreational needs are presented to the Manager
  - Grant applications for park needs are developed by the Manager
  - Limited funding is available for parks and recreation needs



# Preliminary Administrative Analysis

- Recreation and Parks

- Recreation programming is limited to special events (parade, concerts, Xmas Tree, Halloween events); No recreational programs are currently offered
- Stewardship programs are dependent on volunteer efforts
- “Adopt” programs are also in place (adopt a garden)
- Purchase in memory (Benches...) is also available
- Facility rentals are accepted by administration and the system seems to work well; however, no facility calendar is available online and folks must call administration to seek availability





# Preliminary Administrative Analysis

- Park Maintenance
  - Public Works Department is responsible for all park maintenance
  - Volunteers are utilized as well (plantings, field maintenance, etc.)
  - Maintenance includes; road care, lawn maintenance on all Township property, and smaller capital improvements projects in the Park
  - Eagle Scout projects are accepted and add to the park system



# Preliminary Administrative Analysis

- Community Communication

- Social media pages are maintained with up-to-date accurate information
- Social media postings are done by several administrators
- (2) newsletters are provided annually
- Most residents call the Township with questions or concerns
- The community takes great pride in living in East Fallowfield



# Preliminary Recommendations

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- Does Township want to take next step in administering Park and Recreation System?
  - Formalize administration of the Park system
  - Add staff capacity (part-time or full-time)
  - Additional programming and activities
- Township should move forward with additional facilities at Community Park per Master Plan and SC recommendations
- Township needs to increase capacity for parks maintenance, now and into the future
- Adding recommended acquisition parcels to the Official Map
- Plan for increased operational and maintenance costs

# Discussion

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# Next Steps

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# Project Schedule

Meeting Type	Date	Time
Committee Meeting #1	Monday, May 22, 2023	7:30pm-9:30pm
Committee Meeting #2	Wednesday, June 14, 2023	7pm-9pm
Public Meeting #1 – Project Intro / Brainstorming	Monday, June 26, 2023	7pm-9pm
Web-Based Survey	June 26, 2023 - February 7, 2024	
Wikimapping	June 26, 2023 - February 7, 2024	
Committee Meeting #3	Thursday, September 7, 2023	7pm-9pm
Public Meeting #2 – Initial Concepts	Thursday, September 28, 2023	7pm-9pm
Focus Group Meeting #1 – Active Recreation	Thursday, October 5, 2023	11am-12pm
Focus Group Meeting #2 – Passive Recreation	Thursday, October 5, 2023	2pm-3pm
Key Person Interviews (6)	TBD	TBD
Committee Meeting #4	Thursday, October 26, 2023	7pm-9pm
<b>Committee Meeting #5</b>	<b>Thursday, December 7, 2023</b>	<b>7pm-9pm</b>
Committee Meeting #6	Thursday, January 25, 2024	7pm-9pm
Public Meeting #3 – Draft Plan	Thursday, February 29, 2024	7pm-9pm
Committee Meeting #7	Thursday, April 25, 2024	7pm-9pm
Public Meeting #4 – Final Plan	Thursday, May 30, 2024	7pm-9pm

# SC Next Steps

- Finalize Analysis
- Finalize Trails Plan
- Draft Recommendations
- Conduct upcoming Committee Meetings
- Prepare for next Public Meeting

**YOU'RE INVITED!**

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

East Fallowfield Township  
Open Space, Recreation

**Environmental Resources  
Plan Update**

Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and provide input at the meetings.

**Upcoming Meetings | 7-9 pm:**

**#3 - February 29th, 2024**

**#4 - May 30th, 2024**

**East Fallowfield Township Building**

2264 Strasburg Rd, East Fallowfield, PA 19320

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More ways  
to participate:

*Public Opinion  
Survey is LIVE!*



*WikiMap!*



Scan the QR codes  
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<https://qrco.de/EastFallowfieldRecPlan-Survey>

<https://qrco.de/EastFallowfieldRecPlan-Wikimap>

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# Thank you!

Please feel free to contact us anytime.

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