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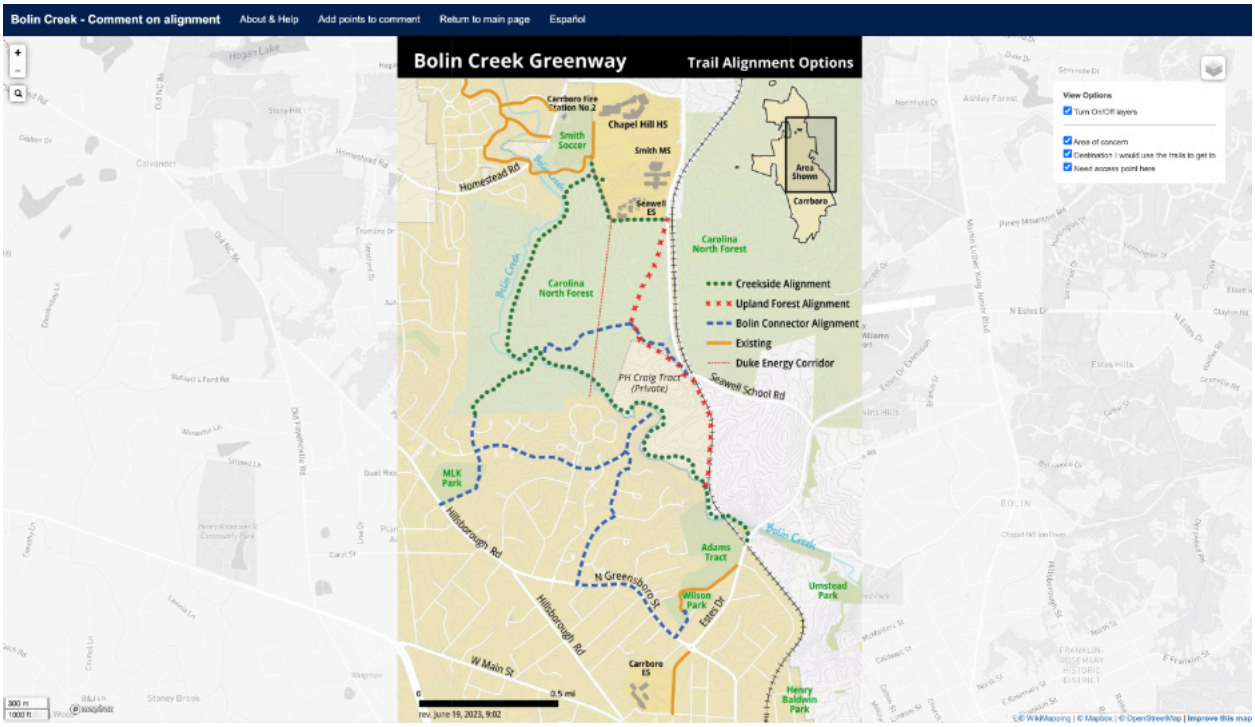


What is a WikiMapping Project?

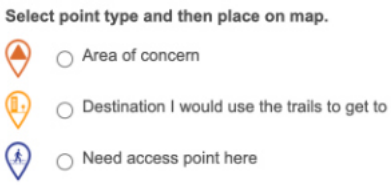
This WikiMapping project lets visitors add points to a map. Then they can add comments about these specific locations. Consider this analogy. Two people are standing in front of a map, and one person is pointing out information to the other person.

For example

“This is where we need access,” a local resident tells a planner. Only with WikiMapping, this information is collected online.

Three Point categories

People were asked to not their areas of concern, destinations they would like the trail to go to, and where they would like to access the trail.



Project dates for the WikiMapping project

The WikiMapping project was available to the public between June 2023 and October 2023, and the project was promoted using the same map at trail kiosks, in person, and with a QR code.

Handling the WikiMapping results

From the WikiMapping project adminstration panel, comments were exported with their associated locations and brought into both GIS (A map database) and a spreadsheet. Data included a user ID, Emails (not shown in this document), date submitted, location information, and comments.

In QGIS, this data was formatted to be presented in this document. It is sorted by Visitor ID.

In Excel, a pivot table was used to list comments by visitor.

Used in conjunction with Survey Monkey

The WikiMapping project was used in conjunction with a project web page on the Carrboro website where people could fill in a Survey Monkey survey and see a photo map of the area:

https://www.carrboronc.gov/2762/Bolin-Creek-Greenway

WikiMapping Results Summary for Bolin Creek

Participation

There were 134 comments received by 38 people. Of these, 12 were duplicates (cut and pasted onto different parts of the map).

1. **Safety Concerns**: The most frequently mentioned theme revolves around the safety of the trail system. People are concerned about dangerous roads, crossings, and the need for safe bike lanes.

2. **Access Points and Connectivity**: Another priority is the seamless integration of the new trails with existing ones, particularly between Carrboro and Chapel Hill. Various access points and bottlenecks are highlighted.

3. **Environmental Impact**: Environmental stewardship is also high on the list. Concerns range from the potential interruption to natural habitats to specific issues like erosion and the riparian zone.

4. **Usability and Utility**: People are interested in the trail's utility for different purposes, such as commuting, recreational use, and family activities.

5. **Parking and Infrastructure**: Parking availability, especially its impact on residential areas, and the need for comprehensive planning before committing resources are brought up.

6. **Questions and Suggestions**: Community members have specific questions about planning, timing, and future developments. They also provide alternative route suggestions.

7. **Others**: A few comments indicate general community opposition to certain routes and call for distinct naming if the new trail doesn't connect to existing ones.

A text summary of results by visitor id is provided.

Summary by Visitor ID

This is the text-only version of comments added to the WikiMapping projects. These are summarize by the Visitor ID and correspond to the map images that begin on page 16.

Creator ID	Initial Comment
363928	We moved to carrboro precisely because we could sit by the water along bolin creek, uninterrupted, immersed in nature. Our concern is that this intervention will interrupt natural habitat, increase noise and light pollution and detract from the serenity this one sole patch of nature offers urban dwellers. Carrboro has the opportunity to steward environmental preservation and offer a rare patch of serenity for nature seekers, close to home.
362152	Access at Bolin Creek Drive Access at Pathway Access at Rockgarden Road Access at Tripp Farm Road Access from Wilson Park My family would use the greenway to access Carolina North Forest without having to brave the treacherous stretches of Estes and Seawell School Road currently needed to access the forest from our home near downtown Carrboro. The ability to access the current trail system already constructed north of Homestead road would a great benefit of constructing the Bolin Creek greenway via the Creekside Alignment option. Ultimately, access to Twin Creeks park from downtown Carrboro made possible in part by completing Phases 3 and 4 would be ideal. Ultimately, safe access to Umstead Park in Chapel Hill, made possible in part by completion of Phases 3 and 4 Creekside Alignment. Navigating Estes on foot or bicycle is currently treacherous.
362160	(blank) An access point here would enable many residents to get onto this trail more directly Connecting these two points would make this a more direct route into town for many residents in the north It's not clear or explicit how this will connect to the existing section - will this be road side? one of the best parks!
362180	(blank)
362262	Both the Forest Alignment and the Creek alignment depend on

private party approval to complete the this leg of connectivity. Without approval, the creekside alignment remains primarily accessed by neighbors and cutoff from connecting to downtown Carrboro or Chapel Hill greenways. This is an obstacle that should be addressed before we commit taxpayer dollars to any alignment.
I would like to be able to safely access this point from Chapel Hill greenway off Umstead Road.
No safe connection to Umstead Road or Chapel Hill greenway, but you mention this as part of the reason for Carrboro to complete our greenway.
No safe crossing as described in Phase 1. Greenway will bring more demand.
Off road parking already often at capacity.
Parking not available during the week on school days.
Please do not rely on limited parking at MLK Park. Tripp Farm already receives overflow parking when the park's lot is full.
Please secure funding and commitment for parking as described on page 53 of the Bolin Forest Greenway master plan.
Without the proper completion of Phase 1 as described in the 2009 Bolin Forest Greenway master plan, Wilson Park does not connect to the proposed Greenway and is not a parking access point. You want the greenway to be ADA complaint but do not offer a plan to connect parking. Please do not push the demand for parking into the residential streets.

362153 (blank)

362155 (blank)
Any biking or walking on Estes is dangerous and should be avoided to connect to chapel hill or to wilson park bikeway
Can't wait for my daughter to be able to safely get to school along the creekside alignment
Must connect to Chapel Hill's trail under Estes
This route is indirect and would require cutting lots of trees and have difficult grade
Would love to be able to bike to Chapel Hill

362033 I could go visit friends in Winmore!
once the trail is extended, and once it is connected to Chapel Hill's network, I will be able to safely ride or walk to Umstead Park, and from there to downtown Chapel Hill
this alignment does not make sense to pursue. the topography is challenging and it would actually require significant tree removal. there are conversations going on about a multi-use path on Seawell School Rd and an idea for a rail trail or a rail with trail and this alignment is perhaps better considered as a part of that conversation, for travel along Seawell School Road.
this is really not a trail alignment. these are neighborhood

	roads, but they include some steep hills, so most people who aren't already using them are not going to. they do not really belong in a shared path network that is accessible from 8 to 80. we live in Bolin Forest, and use the easement to walk and ride to school often. it becomes unusable when it's muddy, and in general, it should be more accessible for more people. when the trail is extended, and when it links into Chapel Hill's network, I will be able to commute to work without a car.
84744	There is a lot of existing sedimentation along this part of the route, due to runners and bikers and feet. I'd like to request that native plants be used between the paved path and the stream, to help repair the riparian zone and reduce sedimentation into the creek. This has an existing parking lot that serves 100 people so it makes sense to have wayfinding here. We are a one-car household and will not be getting a car for our children to get to school. We live along Greensboro. Having a safe accessible route to high school not involving roads would reduce our carbon usage and allow our children to bike safely. We will not allow them to bike along Estes, and the alternative routes are incredibly out of the way and involve biking with traffic. We would be able to bike to the Chapel Hill Public Library using the Bolin Creek Trail in Chapel Hill here. We would be able to bike to the playground here
365156	Access to the Bolin creek greenway from Creekside alignment is accessible by crossing Estes. This is concerning given the number of speeding cars, blind curves, and limited lighting. There is a crosswalk south of the tracks but again does not illuminate (flashing lights) and is poorly lit. Another crosswalk or even stop sign should be planned for Estes and Village Dr. Biking from north Chapel Hill (Chapel Hill HS) to Chapel Hill Community Center park. Creekside alignment is very much needed. Given the two creek crossing and routine use it would greatly benefit the community. Some areas are very rocky and others have standing water and mud. Also, connection to the existing northern tail near Homestead rd should be relatively easy to implement and inexpensive compared to the rest of the project. Crosswalk crossing Seawell school rd to the eastern part of Carolina North Forest from the Elementary school entrance. The footpath across the train track likely doesn't need to be improved. Upland forest alignment could be better suited as a path along-side or part of seawell school road. This road is already used by bikers and does not have a dedicated bike lane. The road is relatively flat and there is room for expansion on either side which could be added.

362021 Erosion from the clear-cut of the Craig tract has been an ongoing issue, with seemingly no maintenance by the landowner since logging finished. I'd love to see the town try again to either get this property placed into conservation easement status or purchased outright.
I live here!
This is my most common route into Carolina North Forest, both via bike and when walking the dog.
Traffic on Estes can get quite heavy. I'd like to see some more information about how to ensure pedestrian and cyclist safety at this trail entry/exit point.

362116 Is there any information on when this train, the UNC coal plant will be shut down? The tracks could be converted to a greenway/ Rail Trail perfectly connecting Carrboro and Chapel Hill, schools, a huge amount of neighborhoods and businesses. Durham, Greensboro besides other communities are examples. The proposed trails wouldn't be connected to the existing Bolin Creek Trail in Chapel Hill near Umstead Park? Why?
This part of Estes Drive is missing a connection to existing and proposed trail options. It needs a safe separate bike lane. This could be also one of the main routes for families connecting the schools (over 2200 students plus staff in
) up on Seawell Road and for commuters connecting Carrboro and Chapel Hill via Estes or the already existing Bolin Creek Trail. The percentage of students that are actually would use any route through the woods is narrowed to the neighborhood right next to the proposed trail.
Why can't the already existing separate sidewalk next to Seawell Road coming from Estes be extended? It ends in the middle of nowhere at the moment.

362149 Biking to school
Connection to Chapel Hill's part of the Bolin Creek greenway
Downtown
Needs a paved, off-road connection to Lake Hogan Farms

362158 Chapel Hill High School - our middle schooler is districted for high school at CHHS, and it would be great for them to be able to bike to school safely. We live near Wilson Park and it would be super-easy to get on the greenway to head north to school after using the Wilson Park MUP. Please make this happen ASAP!!!
I sometimes hike in the Carolina North Forest and have to cross here, and it always feels dangerous. This corner with the railroad crossing is not a place I would ever feel comfortable biking, nor would I feel comfortable with children or seniors

	walking or biking here. Any alignment that brings people here to navigate this location is not as safe as one that doesn't. This alignment is fundamentally unrealistic. Norfolk Southern railroad treats people walking or biking near trails as a safety liability risk, and they are unlikely to support this alignment no matter how nicely we ask. We need to connect the end of the Wilson Park path along Estes Drive to the access point to the Bolin Creek Trail. If this can be accomplished WITHOUT having to cross the railroad tracks on foot, even better.
1917	Chapel Hill High Exchange Pool Very interested to know how this will connect with Chapel Hill's path. These need to be coordinated.
39490	I would use this to connect to the CH Bolin Creek Greenway this is where I would access the trail Would use this to get to CH side of bolin creek greenway
362145	The best solution in my mind would be to work with UNC and convert the railway to a trail once it is no longer used. Yes, that may be years away, but is there a time constraint to build this trail? The primary goal of the project needs to be to protect the Bolin Creek ecosystem. Anything that impairs that should not move forward. Would be great if the trail connected to the rest of Bolin Creek trail.
362644	I lived in a townhouse right on the other side of the tracks in Chapel Hill off Estes. It's quite dangerous to cross and get to the existing Wilson Park section of the BCG. How can we fix this? Is there away to create a crossing on Adams Tract or via Umstead Park such as a crosswalk with flashing lights? I voted for the Creekside A. However, the Bolin Connector A. indicates where a series of bike lanes (on both sides of the road) could be added. It would benefit residents to have those connections to both MLK and Wilson Park. - Shane Nye What can be added to allow bikers and pedestrians to safely cross N Greensboro to get to the Wilson park section of BCG.
364971	As a frequent walker and biker, the connector alignment makes no sense to me and is not a viable option. It includes long stretches of Greensboro and Seawell School Rd, which aren’t safe for children and teens on bikes. This circuitous, long route will do little to encourage folks to commute to work or school,

	and does little to nothing to address the climate emergency we face. I would use the Creekside route to seamlessly access the Chapel Hill portion of Bolín Creek Trail (CH BCT) from my home on Pathway...giving me safe access to the bookstore, restaurants, the mall, and the library I frequent. Also, on weekends I frequently ride recreationally on the CH BCT. This option would give me a much safer route to the CH BCT (crossing Estes at bottom of Wilson Pk trail is always scary even with the pedestrian crossing marked, as is riding along Estes to access CH BCT in Umstead park). Why does this route end here!? What a shame to not connect with the existing trail that ends at high school...huge missed opportunity. As an avid biker, these disconnects are maddening, and make commuting and recreational biking unnecessarily less safe.
366424	Such wonderful birds and critters live here. Paving could alter their habitat and we would lose the thing that makes the forest special: the flora and fauna This map is incorrect. There is already a paved trail that connects the highschool to the middle schools. Paving this section would be redundant. It's also a 10+% grade here. How would you flatten this since section? This section is a bottleneck and gets flooded very quickly up and over both sides do the creek. The only way out are two very steep embankments. It could be very dangerous to have pavement and children here
362136	if you are going to do an upland trail, could you put it on the ridge line like here as 1 point so that it was more level? This seems better as a transportation corridor since the creek alignment forces you to go down and up, but I understand for some it is more about close access to a trail nearby. The obvious issue is the general deterioration of the path due to the large amount of foot/bicycle traffic. When state/national parks have this they do something to keep people on a single path and outside of more sensitive areas, do trail improvements, and/or put some kind of impervious surface down. It seems like you have to do one or more of these or the deterioration will be worse.
362184	Spring valley Bridge site option 2 Spring valley needs a bridge- could go either two places, here or at the intersection of waterside and creekview where a to the creek already exists.
362241	Curious about how the Carrboro side will connect to the Chapel

	Hill Bolin Creek Trail. (blank)
362342	Estes Dr. is the most efficient connection between the trail area and downtown Carrboro, but very uncomfortable for pedestrians and cyclists. It should have a wide sidewalk or off-street path. The trail will be much more usable with a seamless connection to Umstead Park and the Chapel Hill trail network around Bolin Creek
362407	Connector to Chapel Hill section of trail (it would be an unimaginable miss for the Carrboro and Chapel Hill sections not to link up as a single, continuous greenway) Connector to Ironwoods neighborhood community access trail (AKA "Cub Alley")
362933	Once I get here, how do I get to Carrboro? Up to Wilson Park? Down to Umstead Park. So many hills. There is no way to cross the creek from this entrance unless you go further downstream to the old wooden bridge. Most of this is HOA land so it is not an option. This leaves Bolin Forest unable to access the alignment in a long term way.
362051	The community OVERWHELMINGLY opposes laying a paved trail along Bolin Creek. We want the route to remain natural. We do NOT oppose the alternative red route along the train track Right of Way.
362057	By what logic are you using a 2009 conceptual plan to guide discussion in 2023?
362147	Connect Wilson Park to the trail without sharing the road on Estes.
362157	Umstead Park
362171	(blank)
362214	What is the plan to connect existing Bolin Creek/Tanyard branch paved path to Creekside alignment? I support creekside alignment but doing so without connecting from south of Estes Ext. would be a missed opportunity because it would: 1. Maintain blocked access for those south of Estes Ext. such as Northside neighborhood and 2. Keep sketchy/unclear/ dangerous Estes Ext. crossing. I was always under impression that there would be one continuous path which would be great!
362659	Should have a direct connector to Wilson Park! Avoid connecting to the high volume vehicle traffic on Estes as there

	are no bike lanes on the Carrboro side of Estes!!
362978	I would use the trail to get to Carolina North
363962	I live at Estes Park and use this area often. The railroad crossing on Estes Drive is difficult to cross on bike, especially with heavy traffic. Improving this connection is critical to access the proposed alignment, and connecting Wilson Park.
364446	My child would ride their bike to Smith Middle School from our neighborhood.
367739	I am confused how we can have a Bolin Creek Greenway that doesn't connect to (or even acknowledge on the planning maps) the existing and well-known Bolin Creek Trail in Chapel Hill. I have been peripherally aware of this initiative for a long time and always assumed it was about extending that Greenway into Carrboro. If not connecting then the new trail needs a new and distinct name.
367924	This trail is too close to the creek and will disturb the riparian zone. It i also in a ravine, will be difficult and expensive to place a trail along. It also floods dramatically. It would be better to use a trail along Estes and then send the trail along Sewell School to meet up with the trail where the road crosses the railroad track. Please, this section will be very dangerous otherwise and when it floods will present a real risk to people.

About the following Map pages

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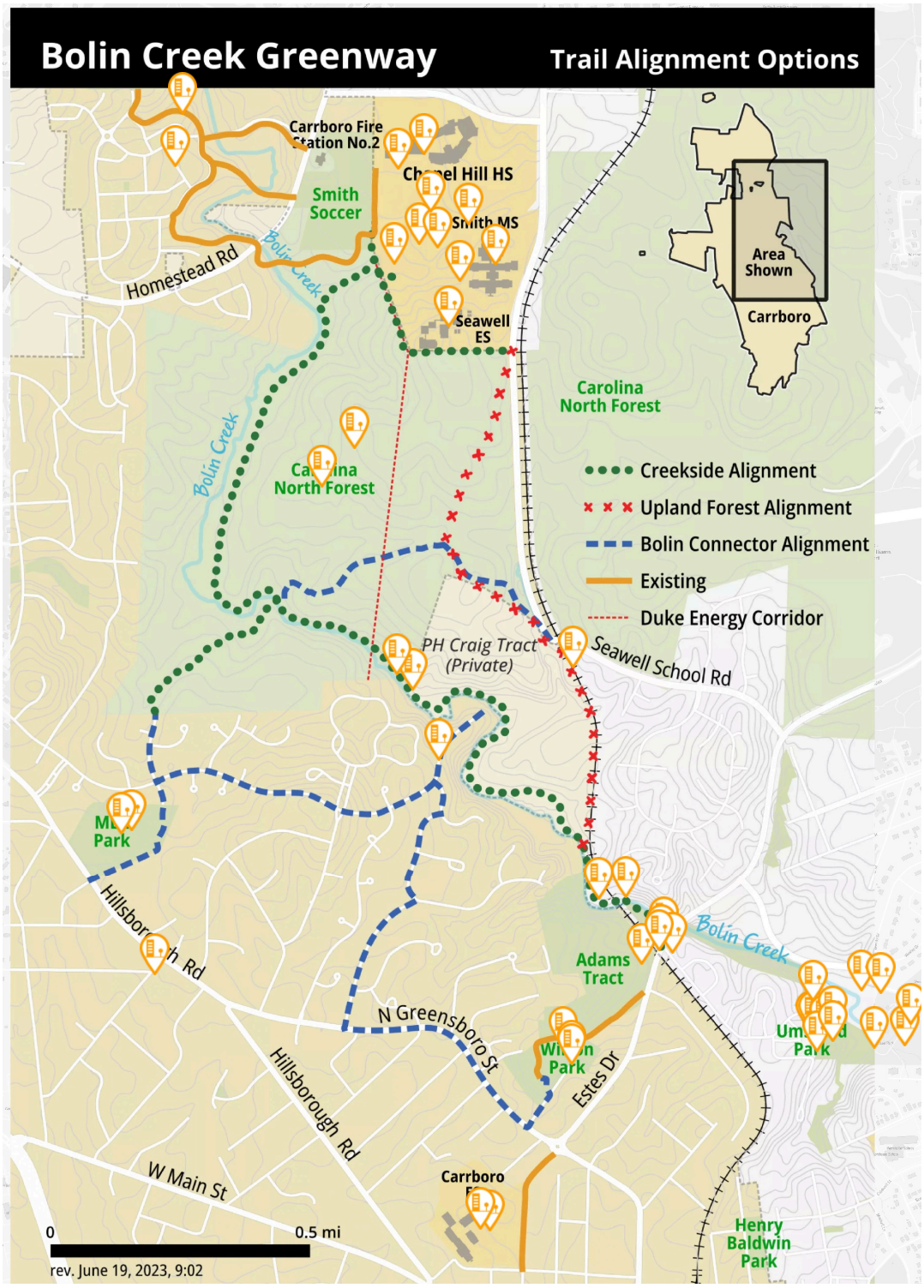

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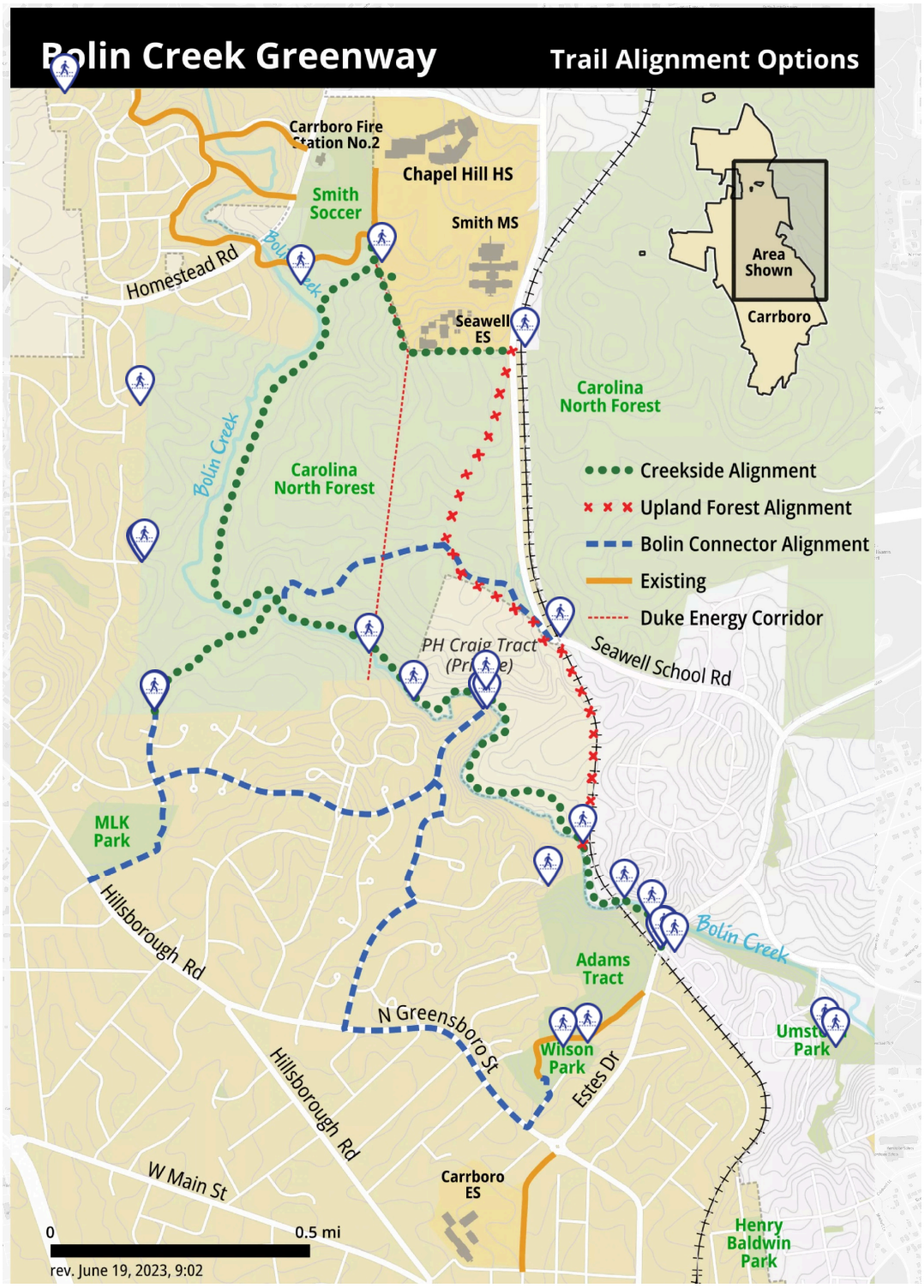

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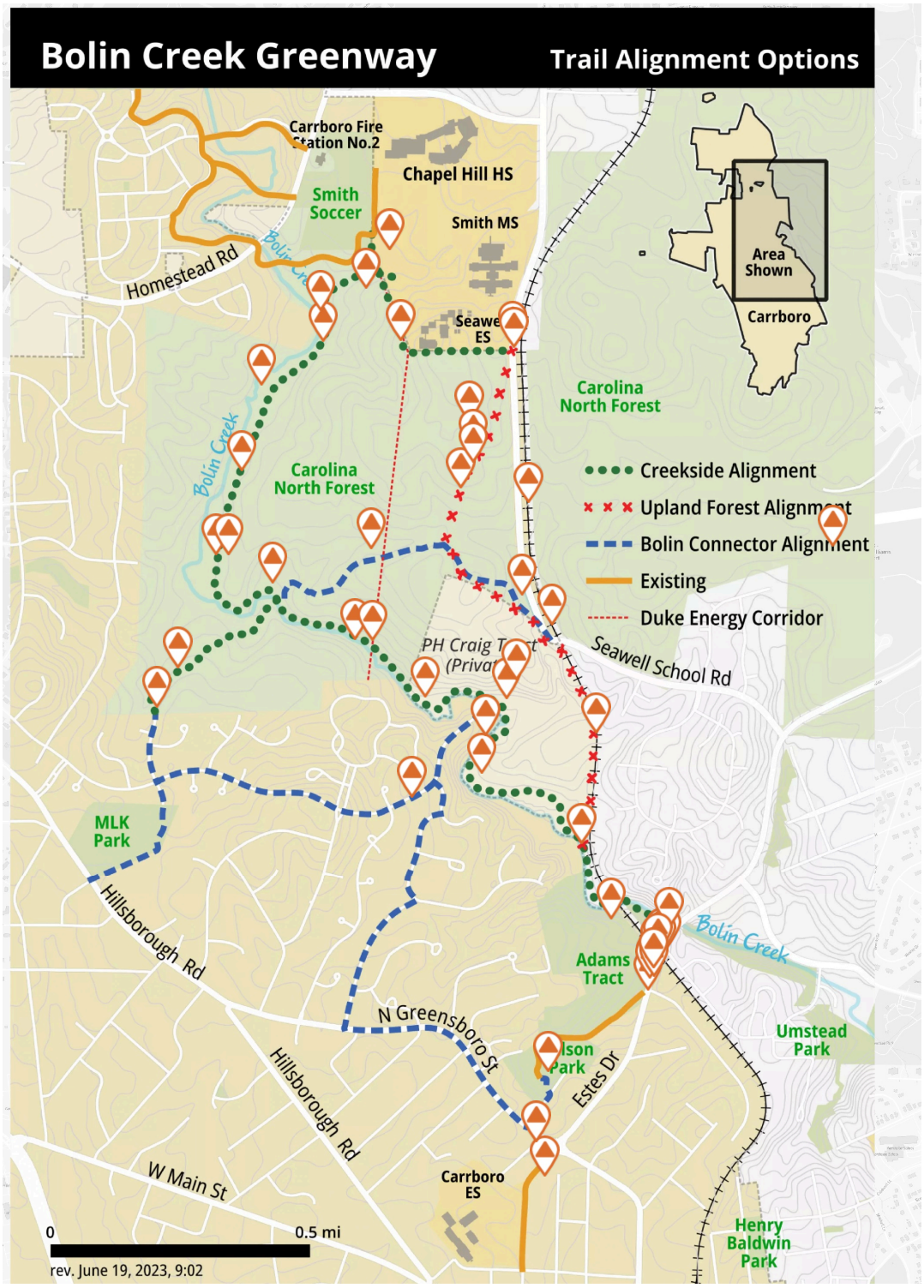
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To make it easier to review WikiMapping comments, they are separated into individual comments, sorted by Commenter ID. You may see some instances of a comment copied and pasted at different locations on the map. WikiMapping does not collect the IP addresses, but the same person commenting from a computer will have the same Commenter ID.

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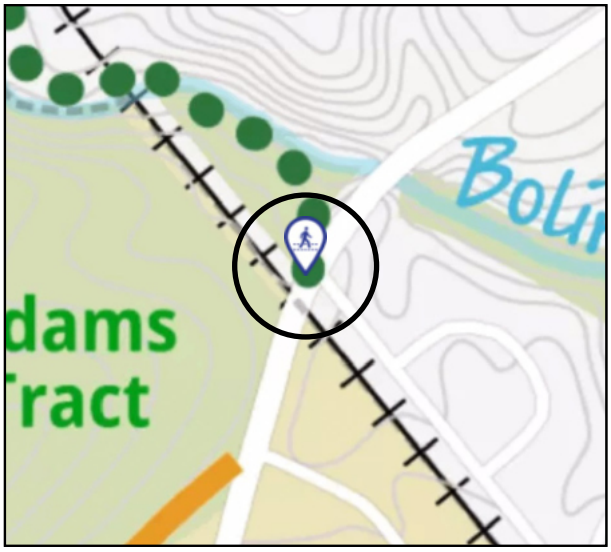

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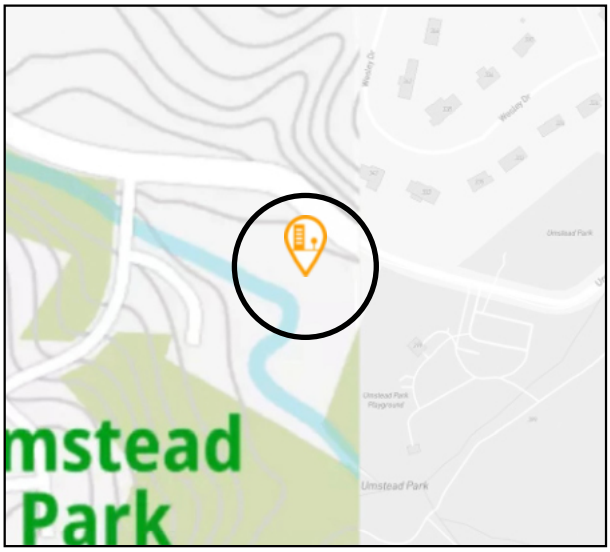

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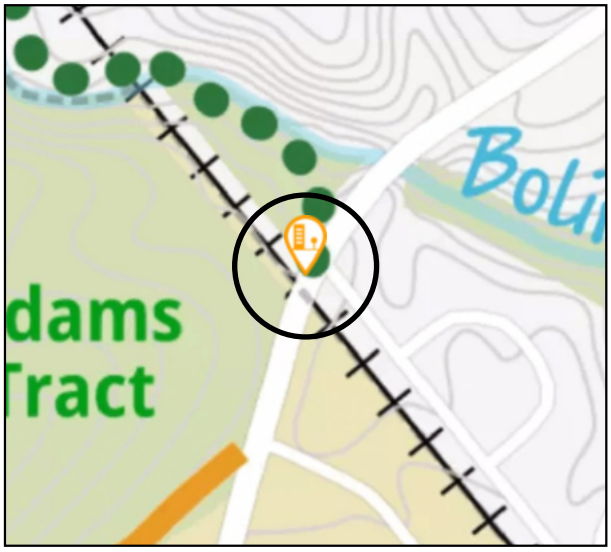

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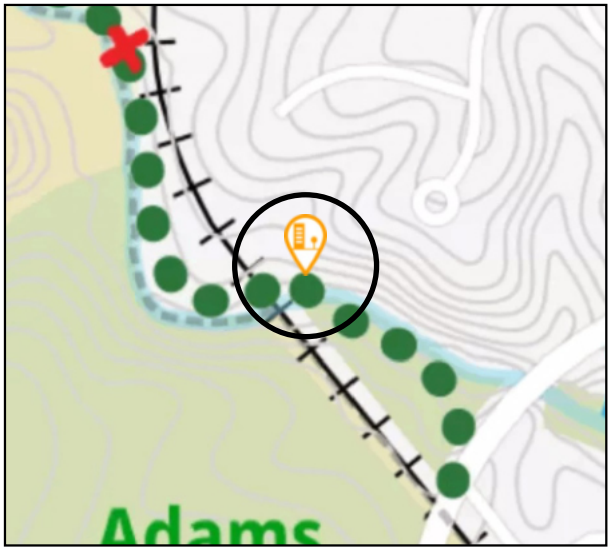

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Would use this to get to CH side of bolin creek greenway

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this is where I would access the trail

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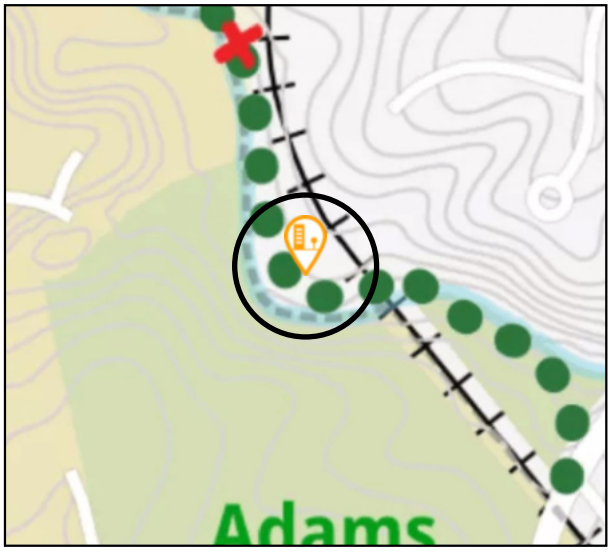

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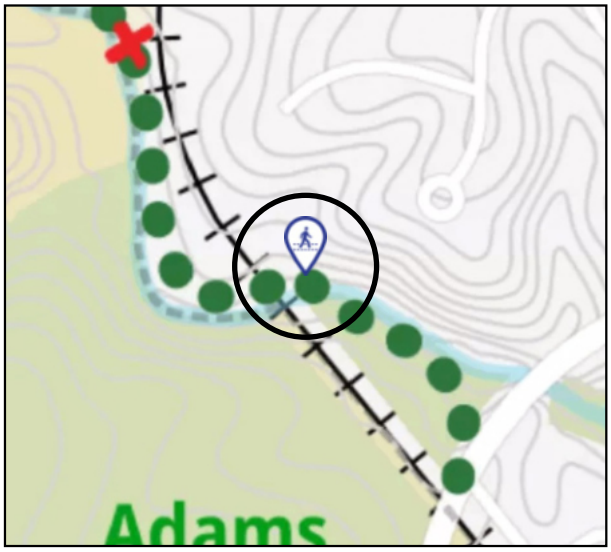
We would be able to bike to the playground here



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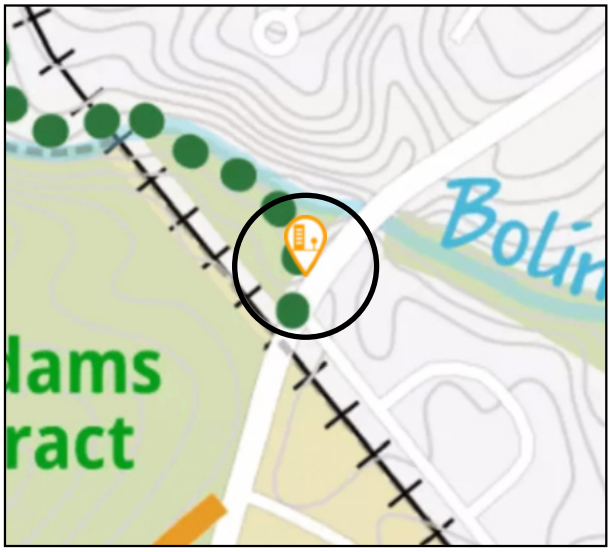

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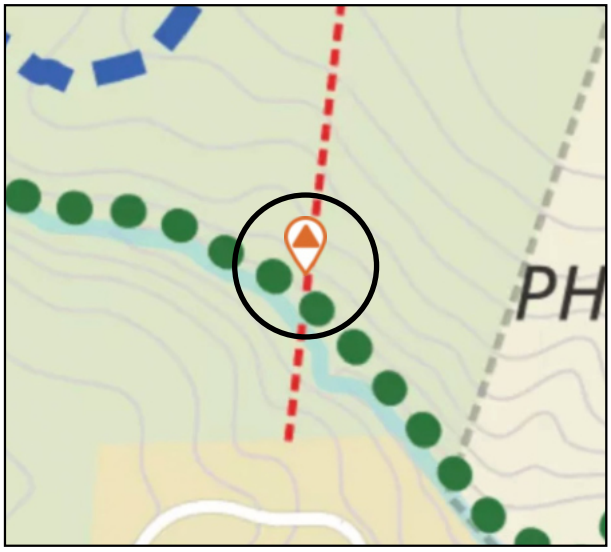

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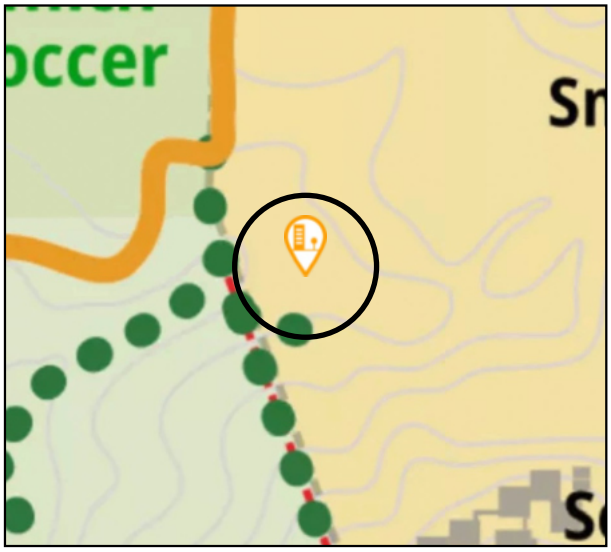

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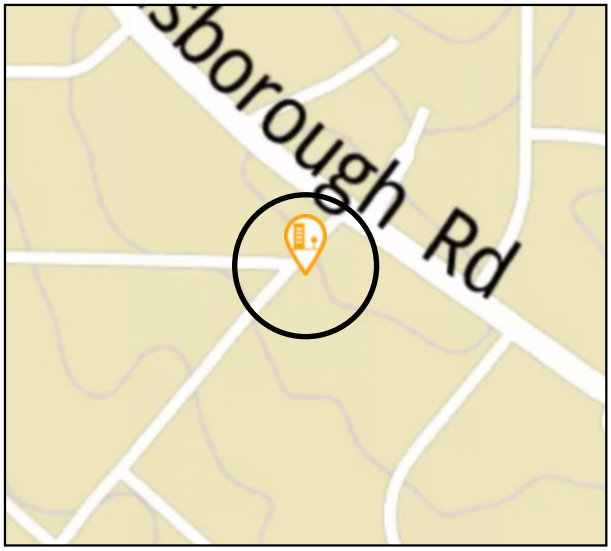

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Destination I would use the trails to get to

I live here!

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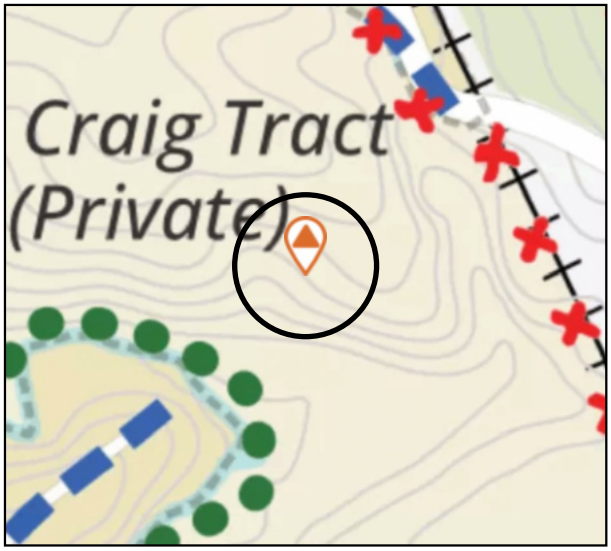
This is my most common route into Carolina North Forest, both via bike and when walking the dog.



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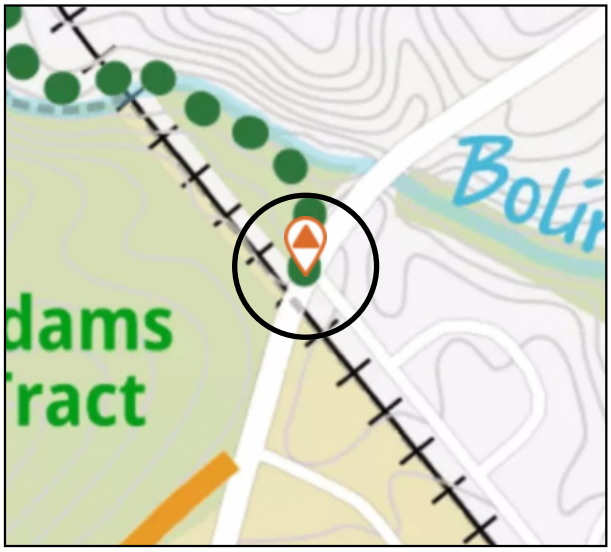

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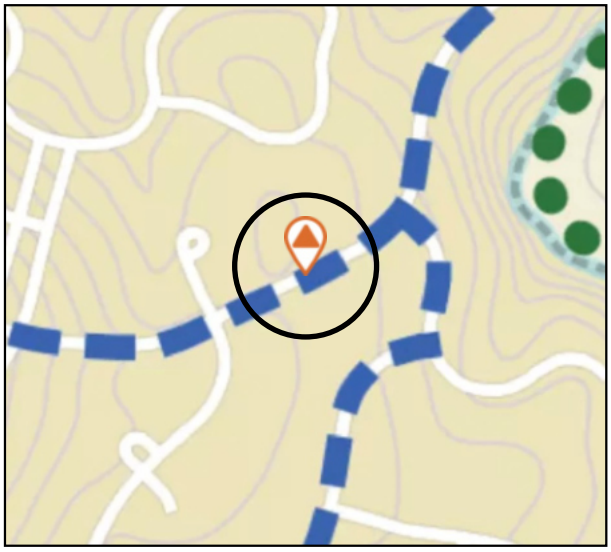
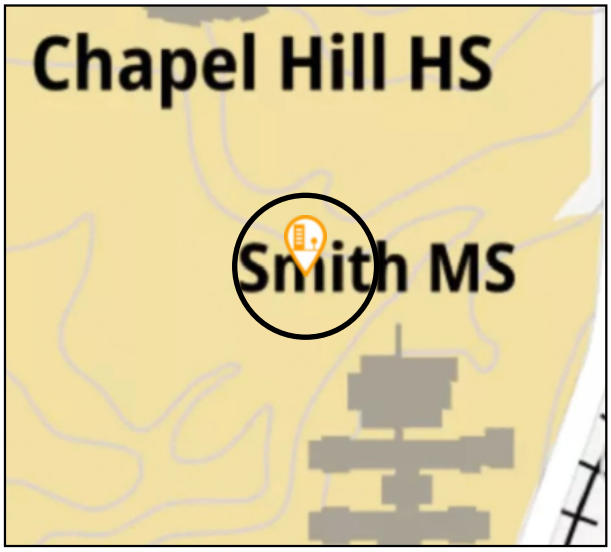


Commenterid:362033
Date:2023-06-23
Area of concern

this is really not a trail alignment.these are neighborhood roads,but they include some steep hills,so most people who aren't already using them are not going to.they do not really belong in a shared path network that is accessible from 8 to 80.

Commenterid:362033
Date:2023-06-23
Destination I would use the trails to get to

once the trail is extended,and once it is connected to Chapel Hill's network,I will be able to safely ride or walk to Umstead Park,and from there to downtown Chapel Hill



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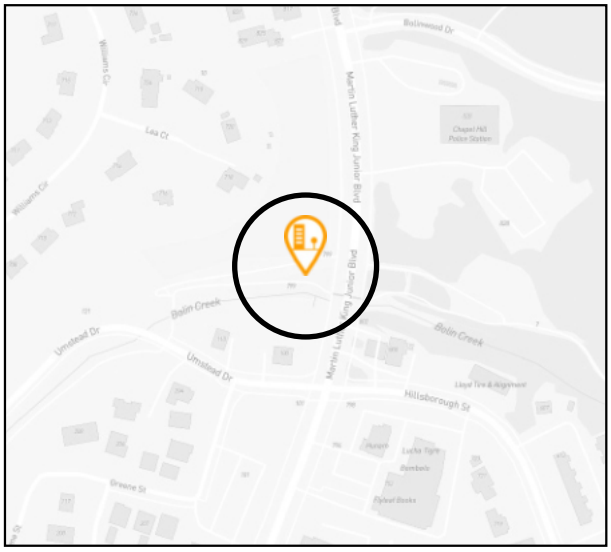
we live in Bolin Forest,and use the easement to walk and ride to school often.it becomes unusable when it's muddy,and in general,it should be more accessible for more people.



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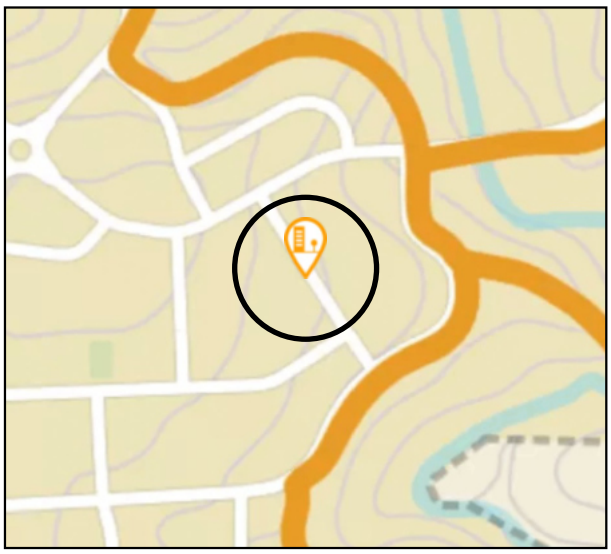
when the trail is extended,and when it links into Chapel Hill's network,I will be able to commute to work without a car.



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Destination I would use the trails to get to

I could go visit friends in Winmore!

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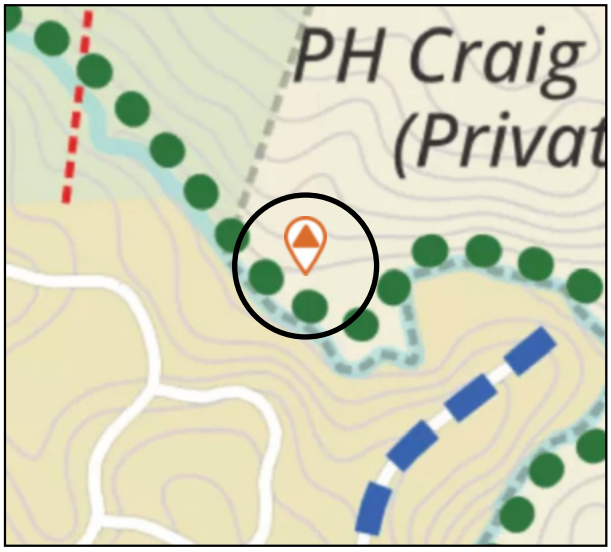
Area of concern

this alignment does not make sense to pursue.thetopography is challenging and it would actually requiresignificant tree removal. there are conversations going on about a multi-use path on Seawell School Rd and an idea for a rail trail or a rail with trail and this alignment is perhaps better considered as a part of that conversation,for travel along Seawell School Road.



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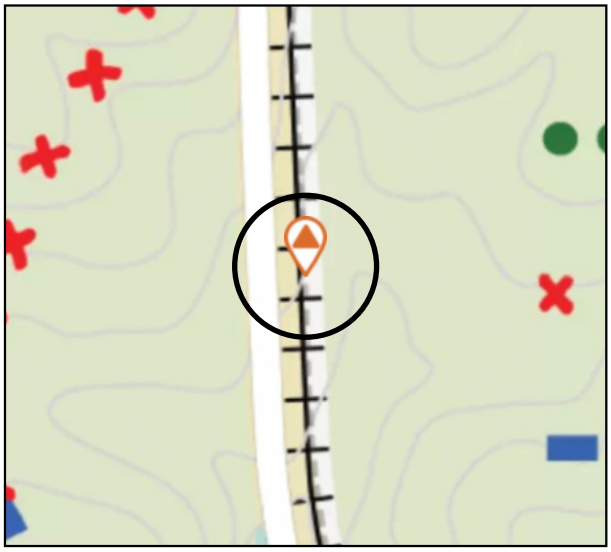
Date:2023-06-24
Area of concern

The community OVERWHELMINGLY opposes laying a paved trail along Bolin Creek. We want the route to remain natural. We do NOT oppose the alternative red route along the train track Right of Way.

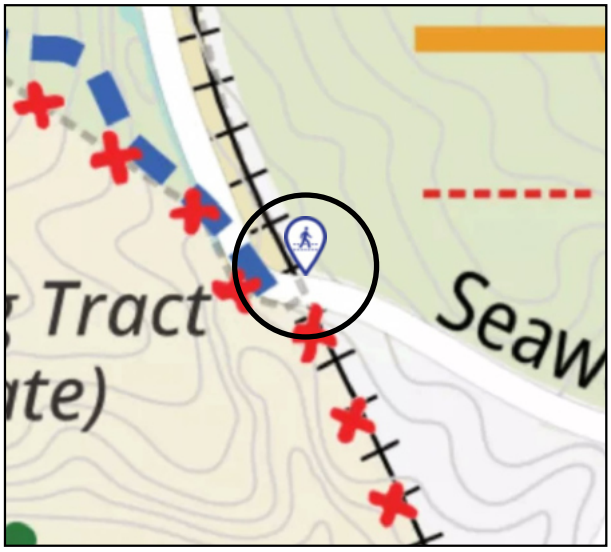
Commenterid:362057
Date:2023-06-24
Area of concern

By what logic are you using a 2009 conceptual plan to guide discussion in 2023?



Commenter id:362116
Date:2023-09-22
Area of concern

Is there any information on when this train, the UNC coal plant will be shut down? The tracks could be converted to a greenway/Rail Trail perfectly connecting Carrboro and Chapel Hill, schools, a huge amount of neighborhoods and businesses. Durham, Greensboro besides other communities are examples.



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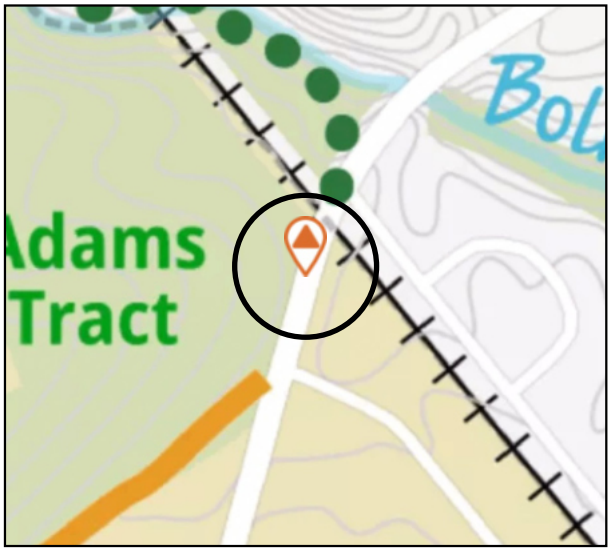
Why can't the already existing separate sidewalk next to Seawell Road coming from Estes be extended? It ends in the middle of nowhere at the moment.



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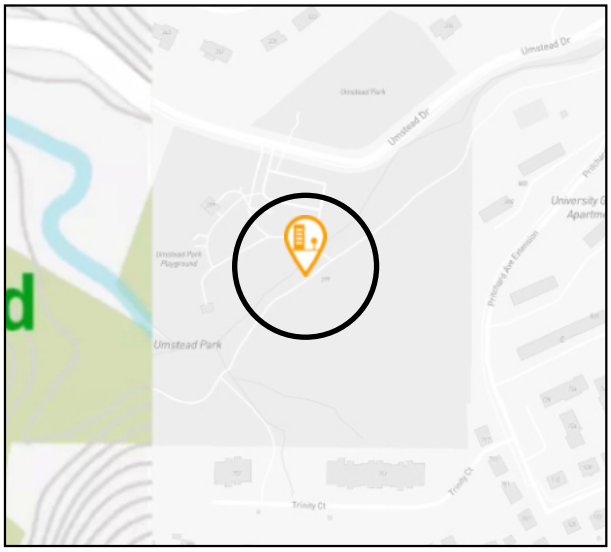
Area of concern

This part of Estes Drive is missing a connection to existing and proposed trail options.It needs a safe separate bike lane.This could be also one of the main routes for families connecting the schools (over 2200 students plus staff in total) up on Seawell Road and for commuters connecting Carrboro and Chapel Hill via Estes or the already existing Bolin Creek Trail.The percentage of students that are actually would use any route through the woods is narrowed to the neighborhood right next to the proposed trail.



Commenter id:362116
Date:2023-06-26
Destination I would use the trails to get to

The proposed trails wouldn't be connected to the existing Bolin Creek Trail in Chapel Hill near Umstead Park? Why?

Commenter id: 362136
Date: 2023-06-26
Area of concern

The obvious issue is the general deteriorationof the path due to the large amount of foot/bicycle traffic.When state/nationalparks have this they do something to keep people on a single path and outside of more sensitive areas,do trail improvements,and/or put some kind of impervious surface down.It seems like you have to do one or more of these or the deterioration will be worse.

Commenter id: 362136
Date: 2023-06-26
Destination I would use the trails to get to

if you are going to do an upland trail,couldyou put it on the ridge line like here as 1 point so that it was more level? This seems better as a transportation corridor since the creek alignment forces you to go down and up,but I understand for some it is more about close access to a trail nearby.

Commenter id: 362145
Date: 2023-06-26
Area of concern

The primarygoal of the project needs to be to protect the Bolin Creek ecosystem.Anything that impairs that should not move forward.

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Date: 2023-06-26
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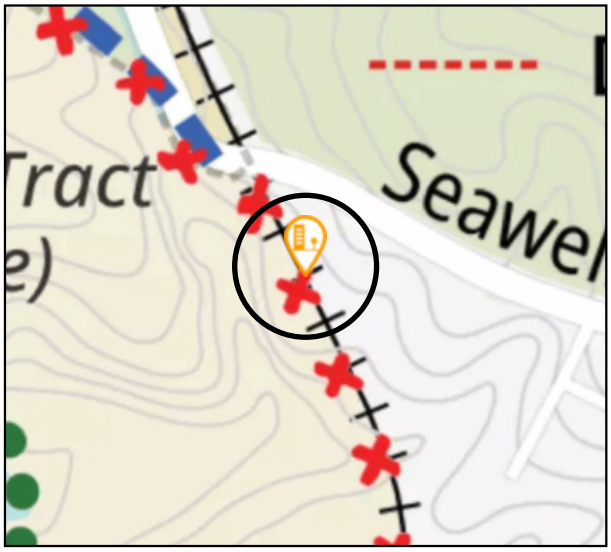
Would be great if the trail connected to the rest of Bolin Creek trail.



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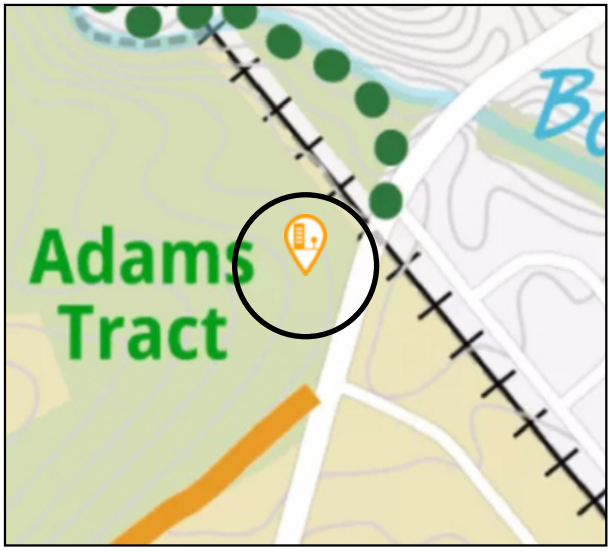
The best solution in my mind would be to work with UNC and convert the railway to a trail once it is no longer used. Yes, that may be years away, but is there a time constraint to build this trail?



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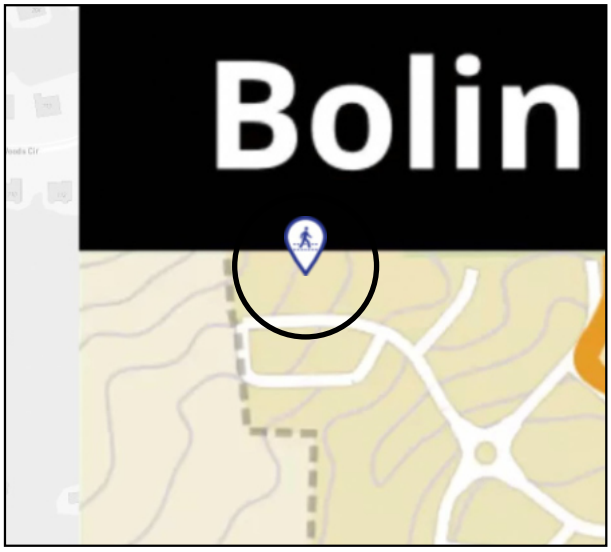
Date: 2023-06-26
Destination I would use the trails to get to

Connect Wilson Park to the trail without sharing the road on Estes.



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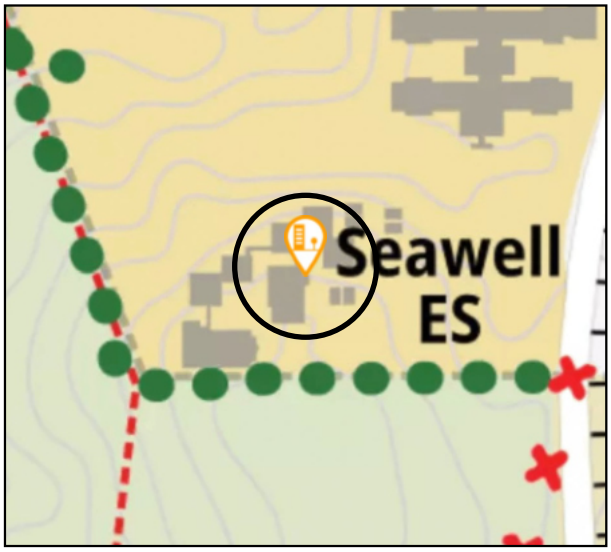
Needs a paved, off-road connection to Lake Hogan Farms



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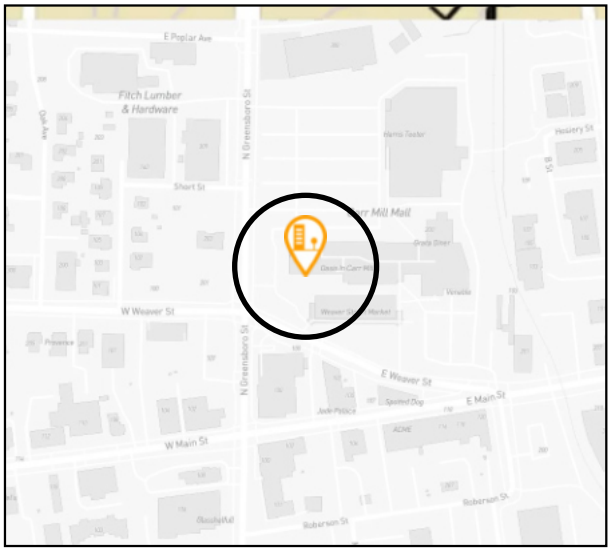
Biking to school



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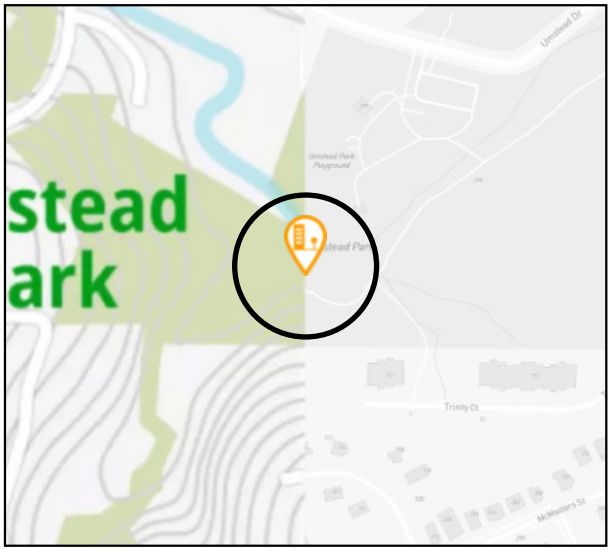

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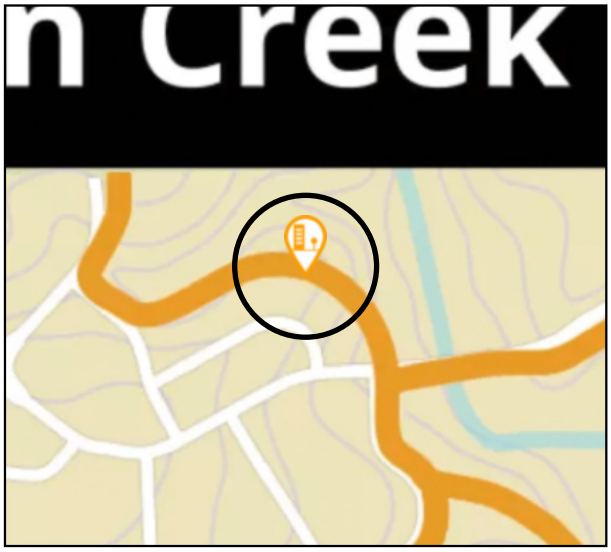
Connection to Chapel Hill's part of the Bolin Creek greenway

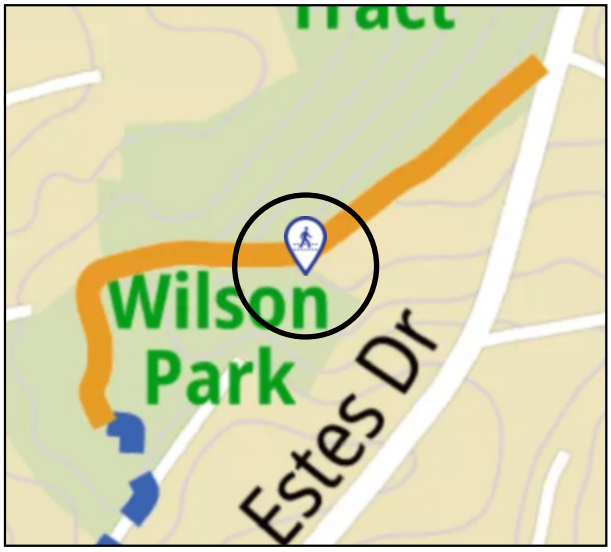


Commenter id: 362152
Date: 2023-06-26
Destination I would use the trails to get to

The ability to access the current trail system already constructed north of Homestead road would a great benefit of constructing the Bolin Creek greenway via the Creekside Alignment option.

Commenter id: 362152
Date: 2023-06-26
Destination I would use the trails to get to

My family would use the greenway to access Carolina North Forest without having to brave the treacherous stretches of Estes and Seawell School Road currently needed to access the forest from our home near downtown Carrboro.



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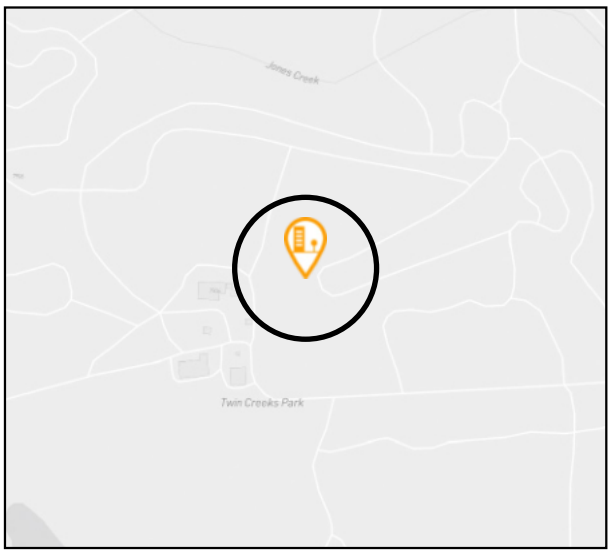
Access from Wilson Park



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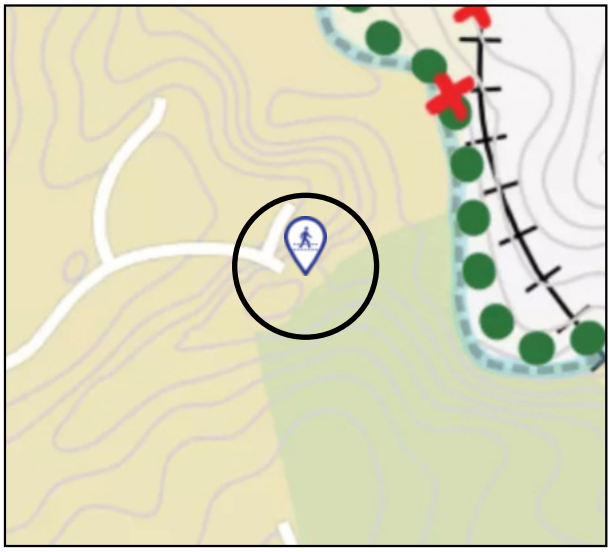
Ultimately, access to Twin Creeks park from downtown Carrboro made possible in part by completing Phases 3 and 4 would be ideal.



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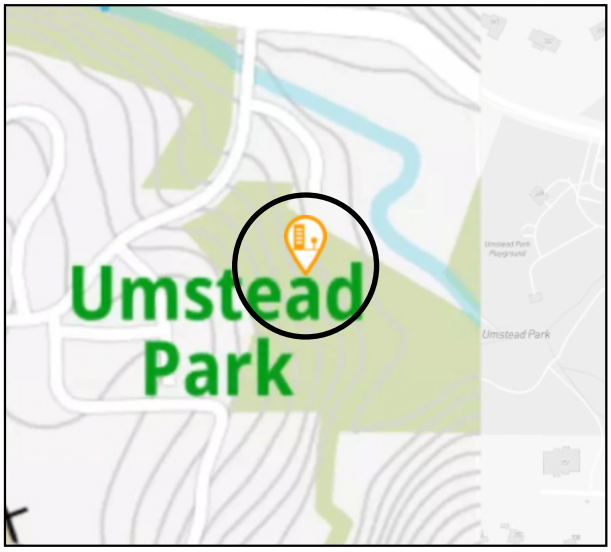
Access at Bolin Creek Drive



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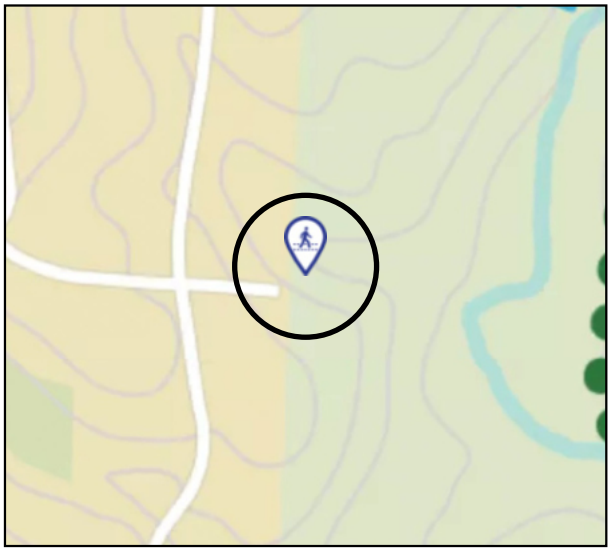
Ultimately, safe access to Umstead Park in Chapel Hill, made possible in part by completion of Phases 3 and 4 Creekside Alignment. Navigating Estes on foot or bicycle is currently treacherous.



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Access at Rockgarden Road

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Access at Pathway

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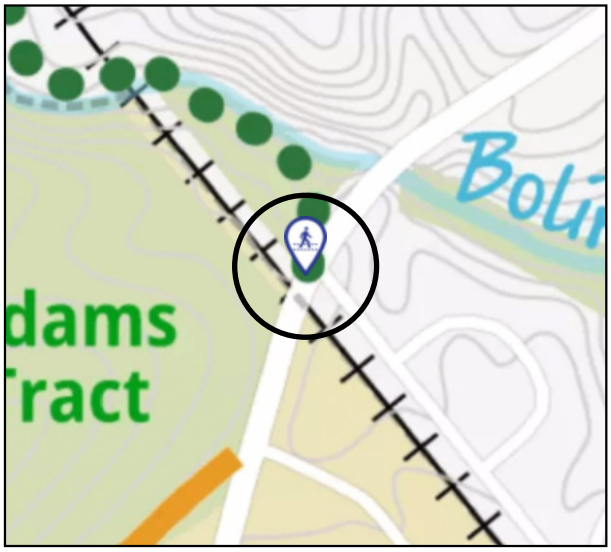
Access at Tripp Farm Road



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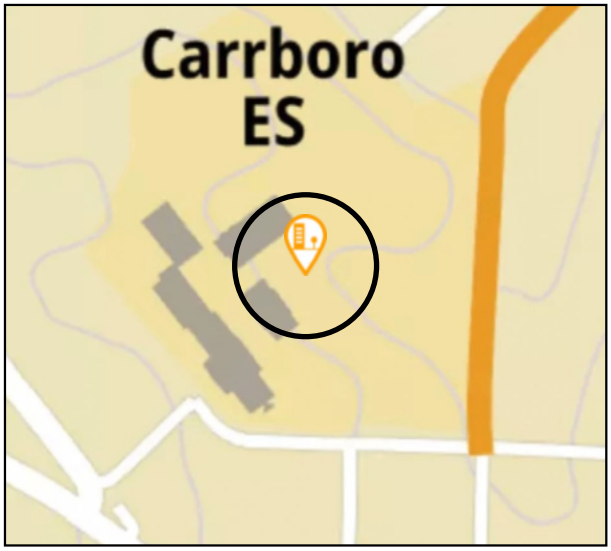

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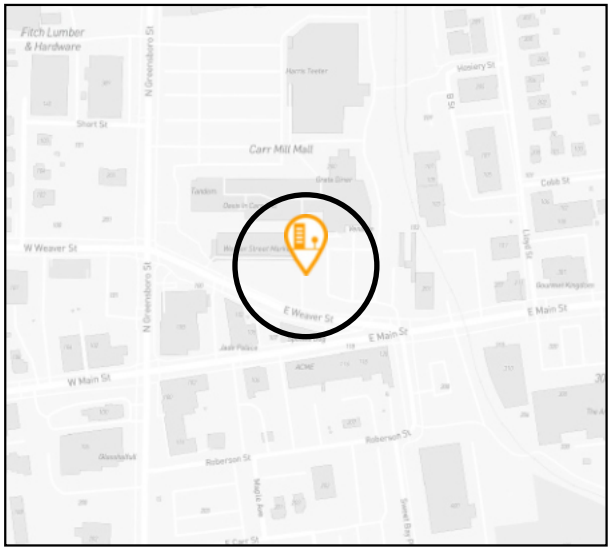

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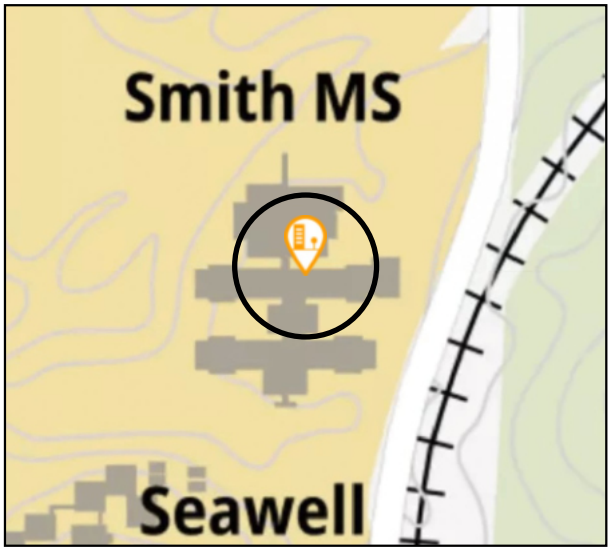

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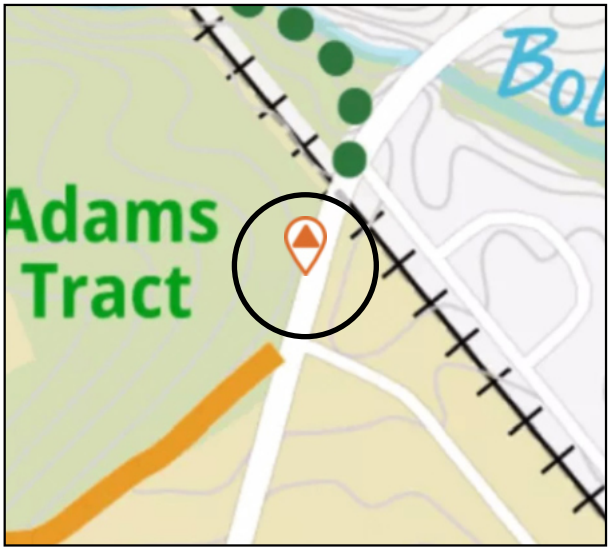
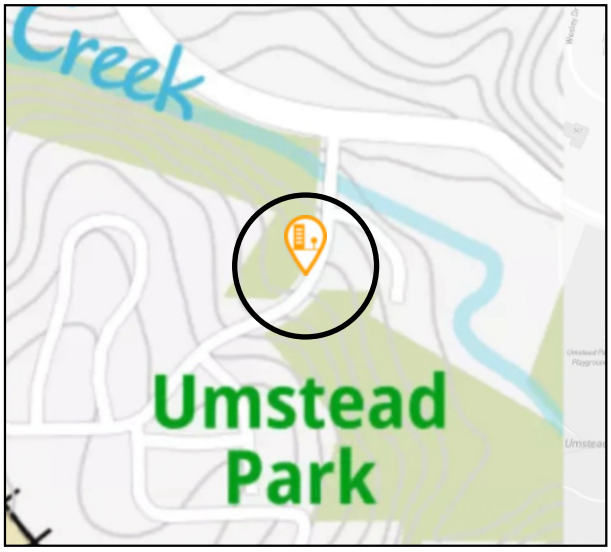


Commenter id: 362155
Date: 2023-06-26
Area of concern

Any biking or walking on Estes is dangerous and should be avoided to connect to chapel hill or to wilson park bikeway



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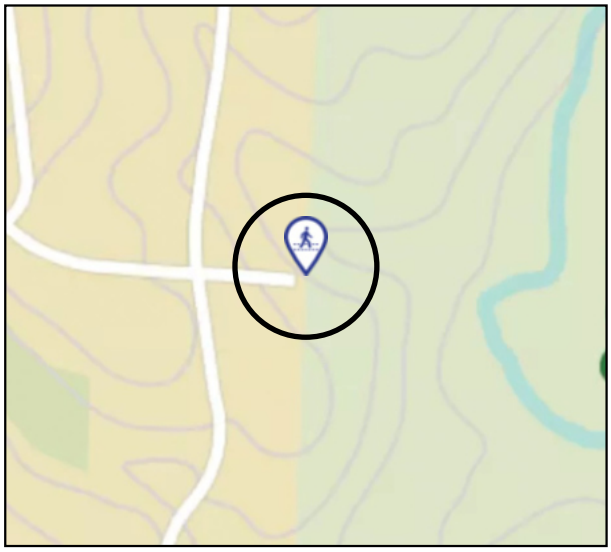
Would love to be able to bike to Chapel Hill



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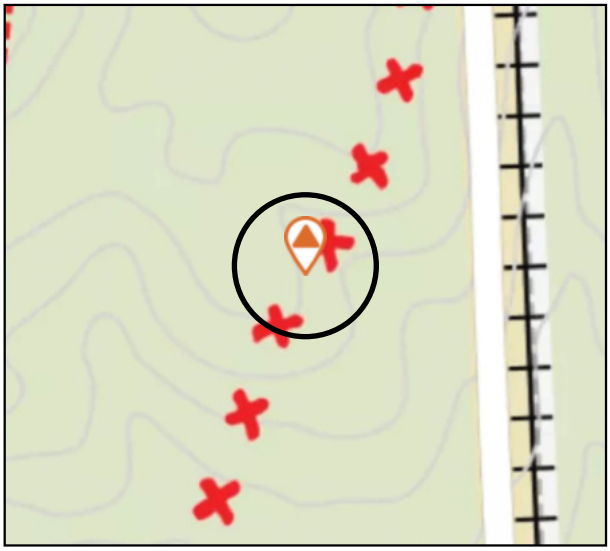

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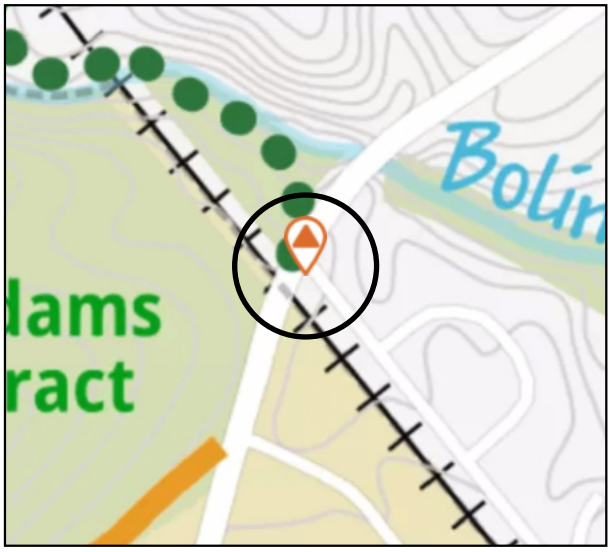
This route is indirect and would require cutting lots of trees and have difficult grade



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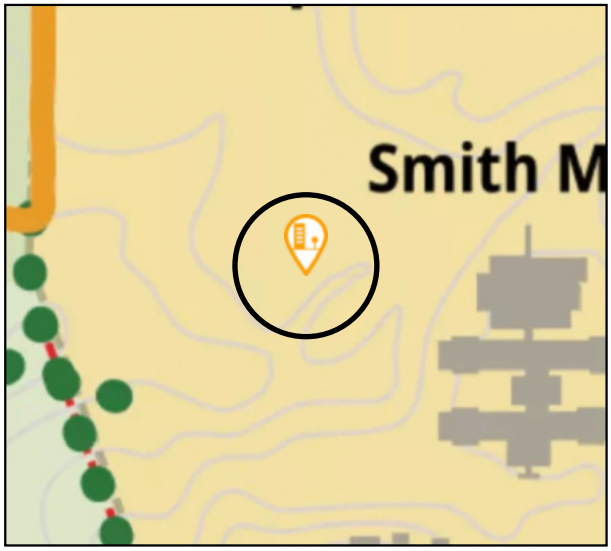
Must connect to Chapel Hill's trail under Estes



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Destination I would use the trails to get to

Can't wait for my daughter to be able to safely get to school along the creekside alignment

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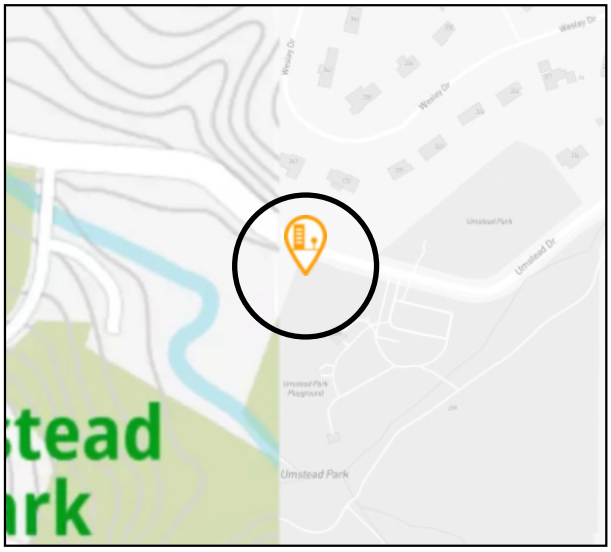

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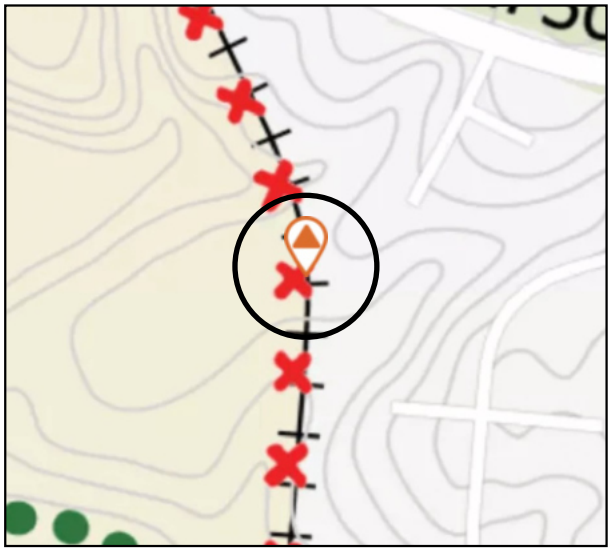
Umstead Park



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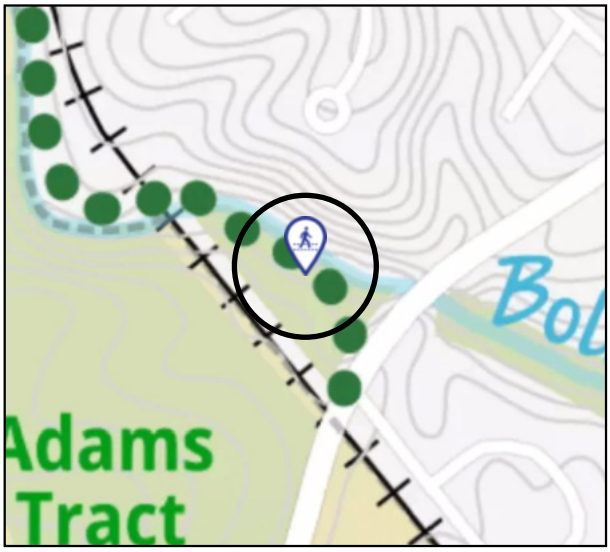
Area of concern

This alignment is fundamentally unrealistic.NorfolkSouthern railroad treats people walking or biking near trails as a safety liability risk,and they are unlikely to support this alignment no matter how nicely we ask.



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We need to connect the end of the Wilson Park path along Estes Drive to the access point to the Bolin Creek Trail.Ifthis can be accomplished WITHOUT having to cross the railroadtracks on foot, even better.

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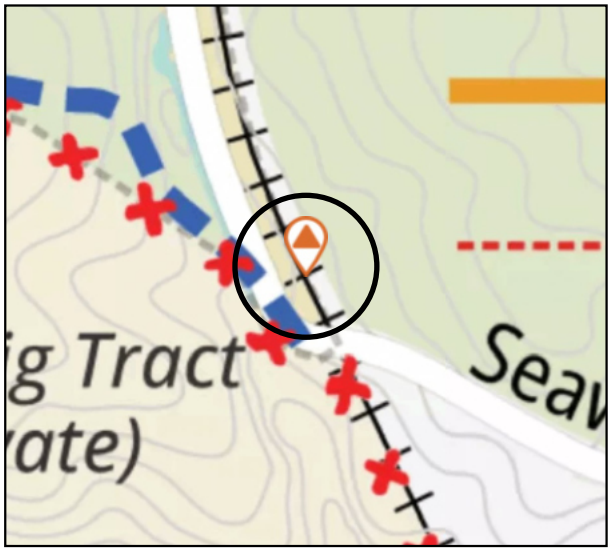
Date: 2023-06-26
Destination I would use the trails to get to

Chapel Hill High School - our middle schooler is districted for high school at CHHS, and it would be great for them to be able to bike to school safely. We live near Wilson Park and it would be super-easy to get on the greenway to head north to school after using the Wilson Park MUP. Please make this happen ASAP!!!



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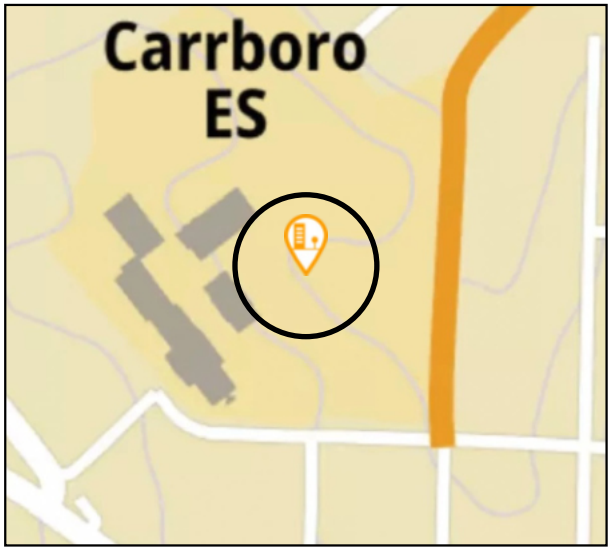
Area of concern

I sometimes hike in the Carolina North Forest and have to cross here, and it always feels dangerous. This corner with the railroad crossing is not a place I would ever feel comfortable biking, nor would I feel comfortable with children or seniors walking or biking here. Any alignment that brings people here to navigate this location is not as safe as one that doesn't.



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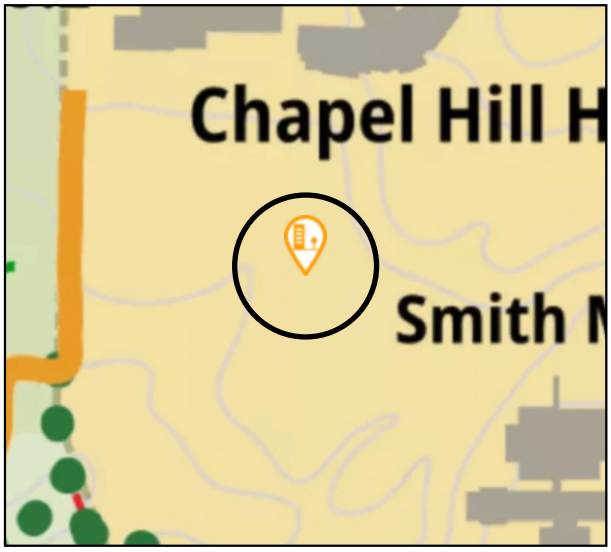

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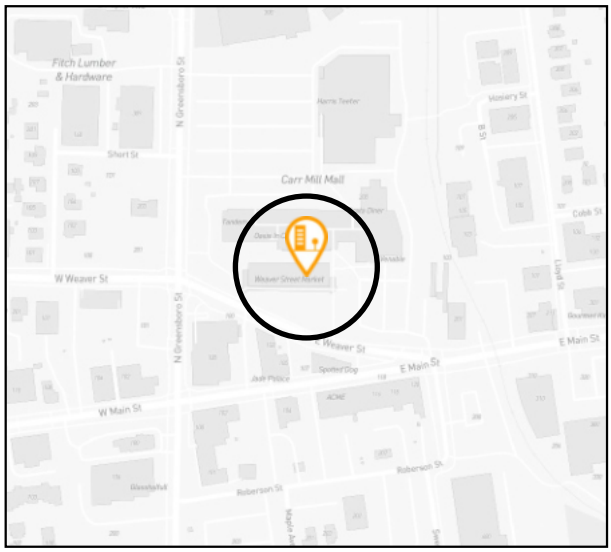

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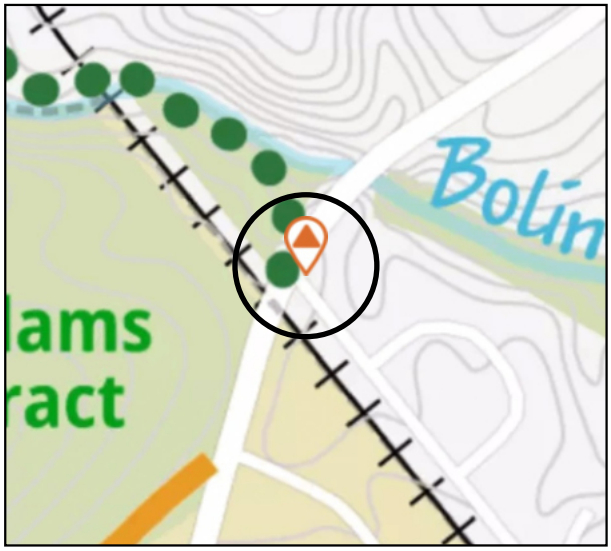

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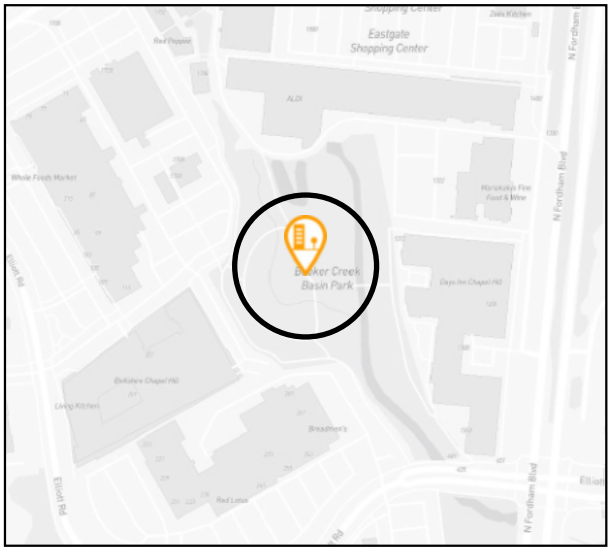
It's not clear or explicit how this will connect to the existing section - will this be road side?



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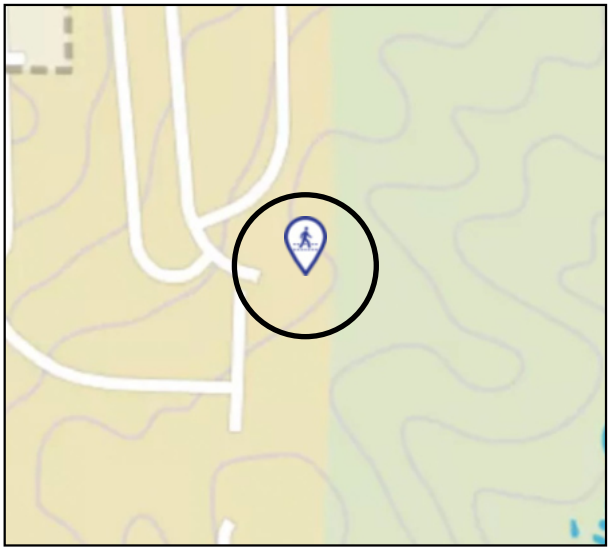
Connecting these two points would make this a more direct route into town for many residents in the north



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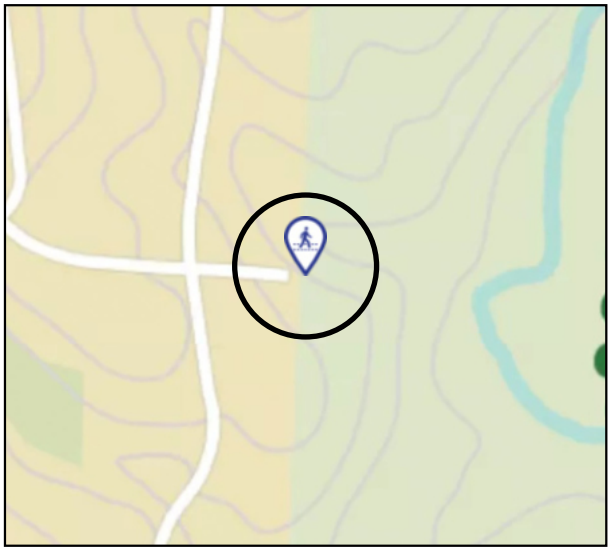
An access point here would enable many residents to get onto this trail more directly



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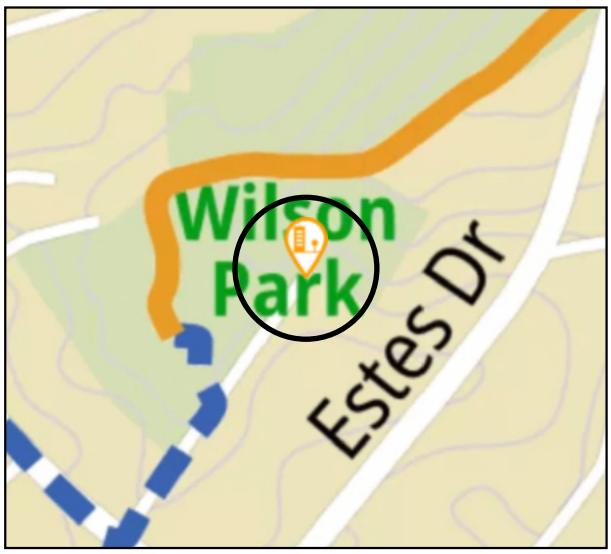

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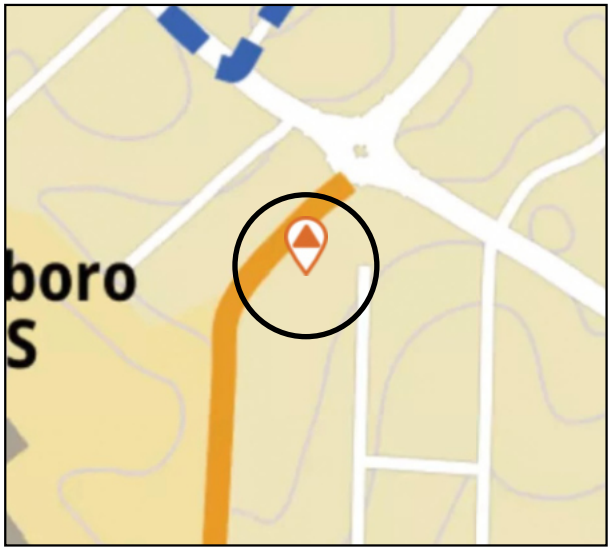

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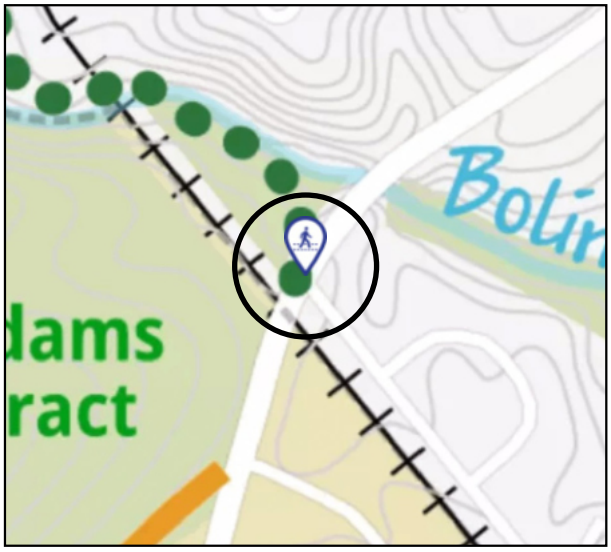

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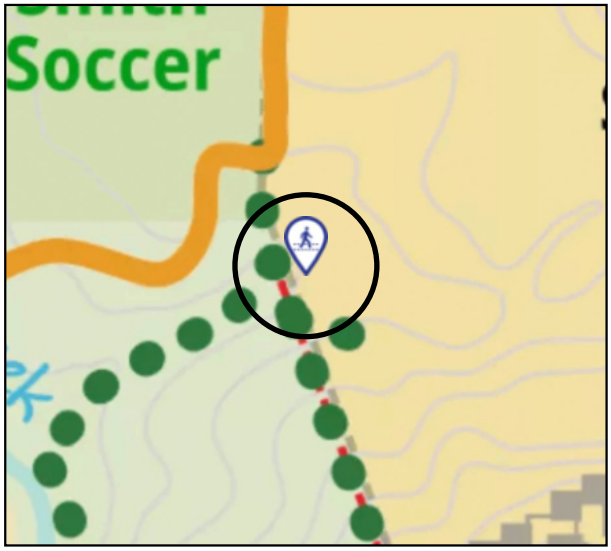

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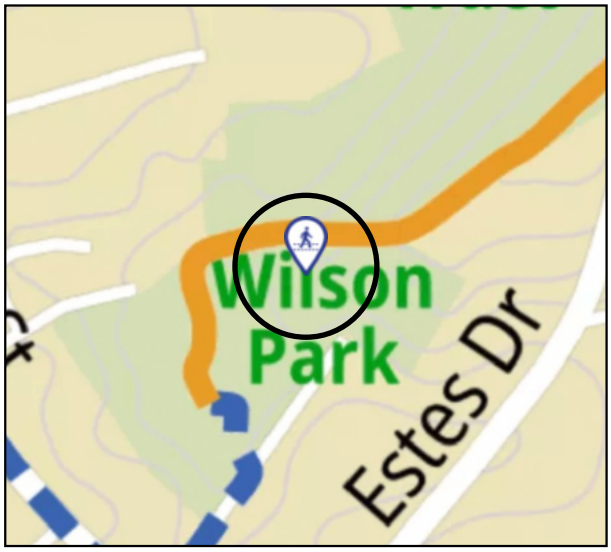

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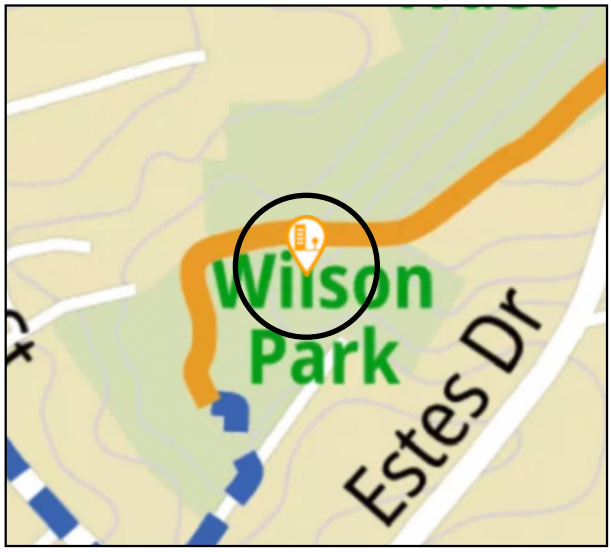

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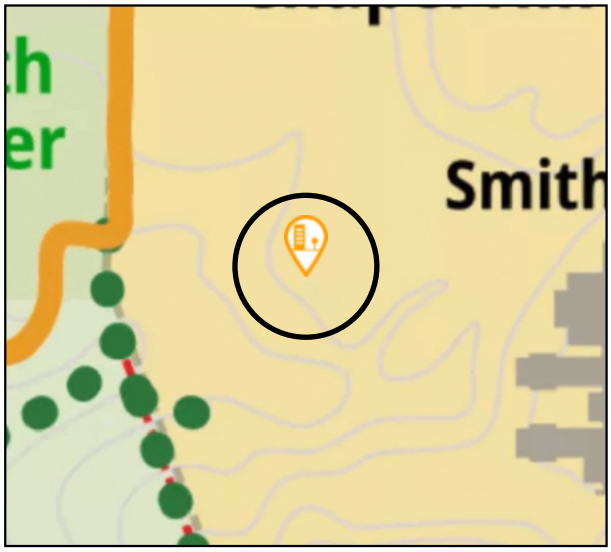

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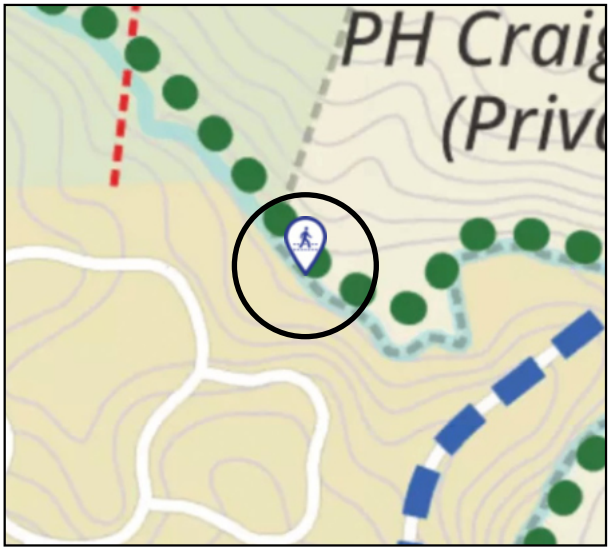

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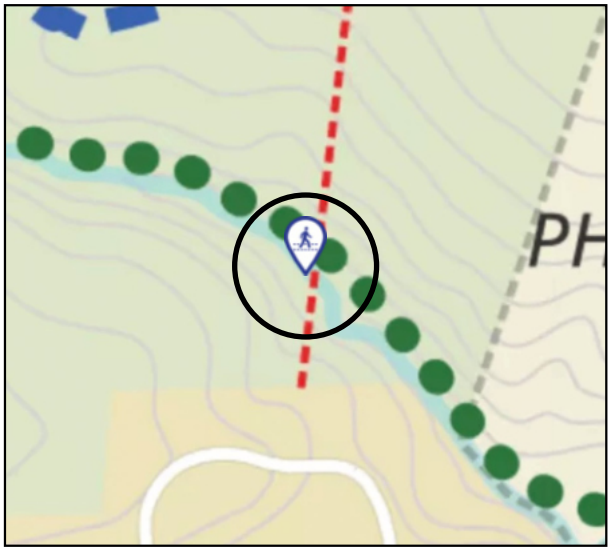
Spring valley Bridge site option 2



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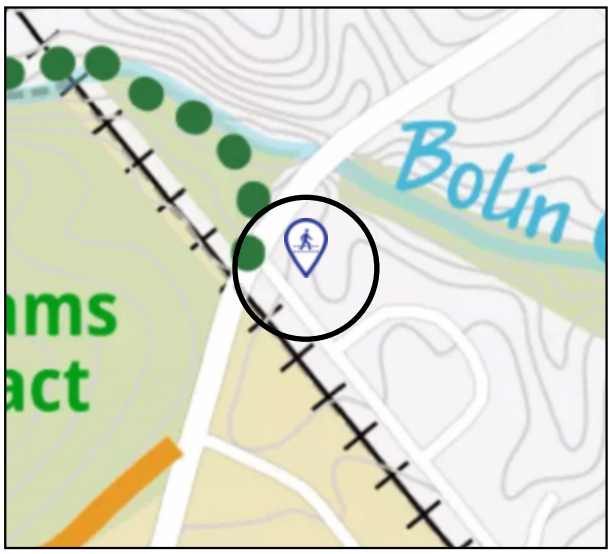
Spring valley needs a bridge- could go either two places, here or at the intersection of waterside and creekview where a to the creek already exists.



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Date: 2023-06-27
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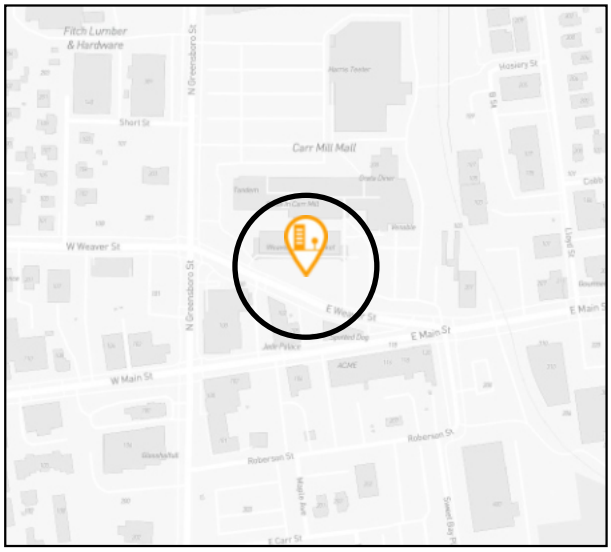
What is the plan to connect existing Bolin Creek/Tanyard branch paved path to Creekside alignment? I support creekside alignment but doing so without connecting from south of Estes Ext. would be a missed opportunity because it would: 1. Maintain blocked access for those south of Estes Ext. such as Northside neighborhood and 2. Keep sketchy/unclear/dangerous Estes Ext. crossing. I was always under impression that there would be one continuous path which would be great!



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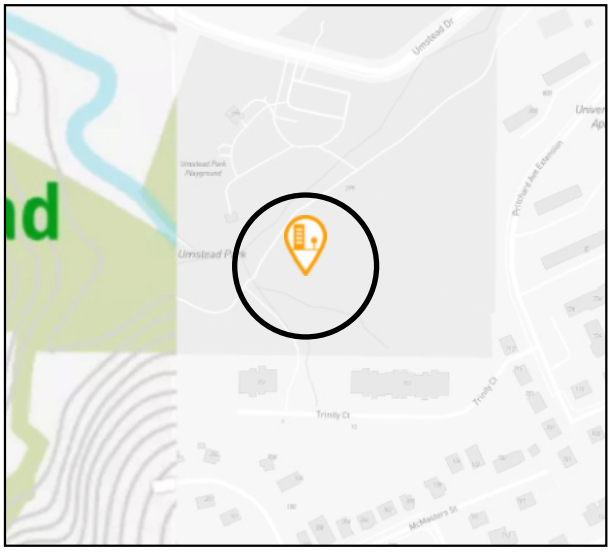

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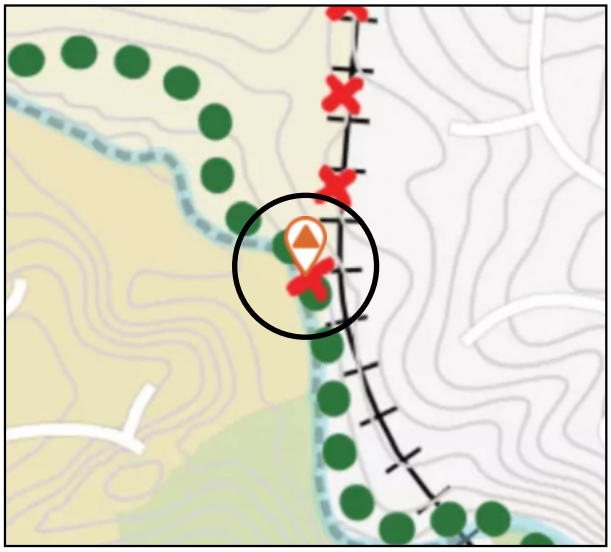
C urious about how the Carrboro side will connect to the Chapel Hill Bolin Creek Trail.



Commenterid:362262
Date:2023-06-28
Area of concern

Both the Forest Alignment and the Creek alignment depend on private party approval to complete the this leg of connectivity. Without approval,the creekside alignment remains primarily accessed by neighbors and cutoff from connecting to downtown Carrboro or Chapel Hill greenways.This is an obstacle that should be addressed before we commit taxpayer dollars to any alignment.

Commenterid:362262
Date:2023-06-28
Area of concern

Please do not rely on limited parking at MLK Park.Tripp Farm already receives overflow parking when the park's lot is full.Pleasesecure funding and commitment for parking as described on page 53 of the Bolin Forest Greenway master plan.

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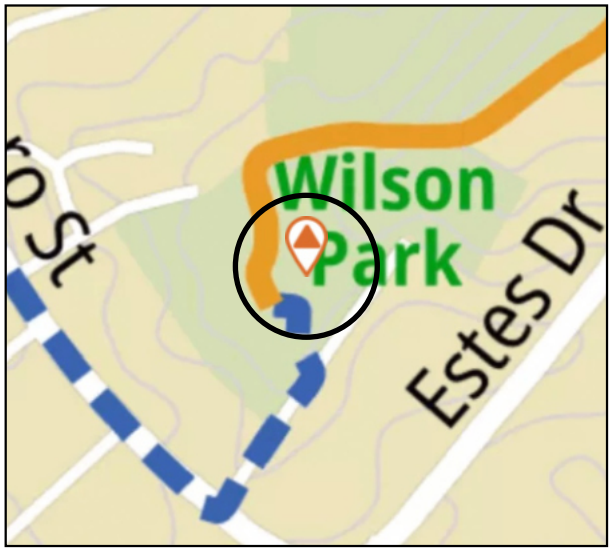
Area of concern

Parking not available during the week on school days.



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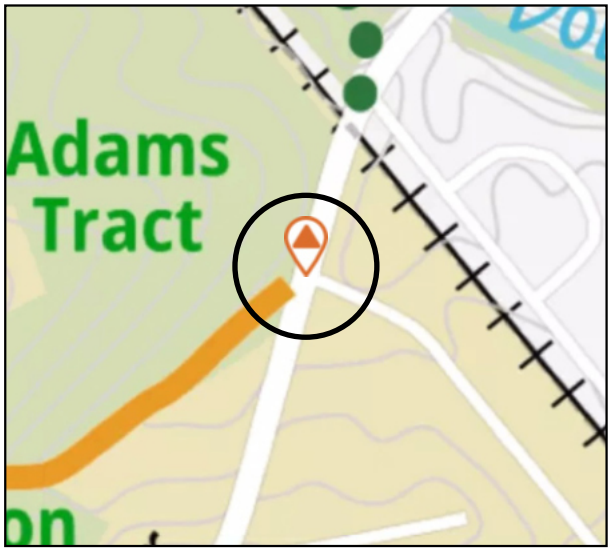
Without the proper completion of Phase 1 as described in the 2009 Bolin Forest Greenway master plan,Wilson Park does not connect to the proposed Greenway and is not a parking access point.You want the greenway to be ADA complaint but do not offer a plan to connect parking.Please do not push the demand for parking into the residential streets.



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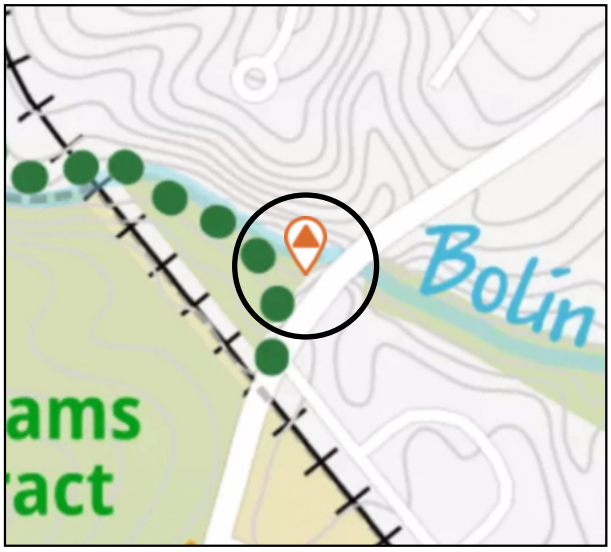
No safe crossing as described in Phase 1.Greenway will bring more demand.



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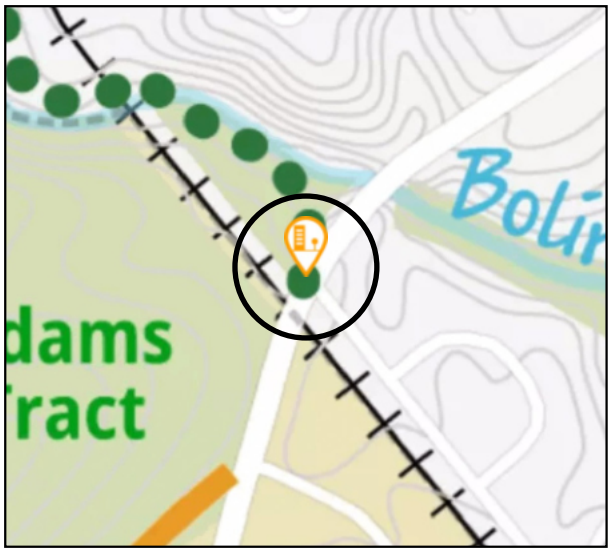
No safe connection to Umstead Road or Chapel Hill greenway,but you mention this as part of the reason for Carrboro to complete our greenway.



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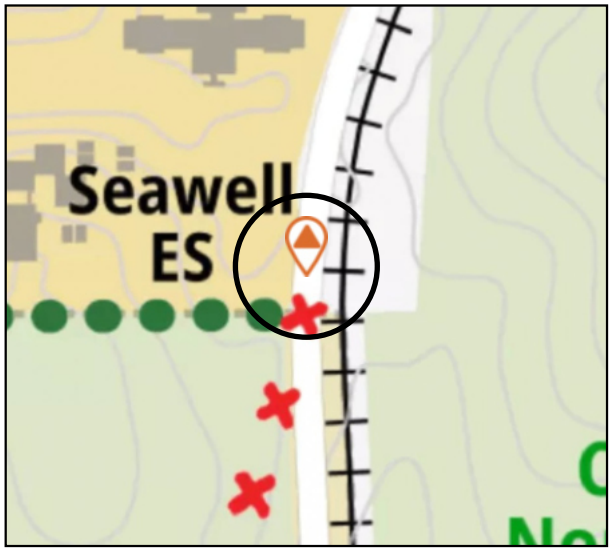
I would like to be able to safely access this point from Chapel Hill greenway off Umstead Road.



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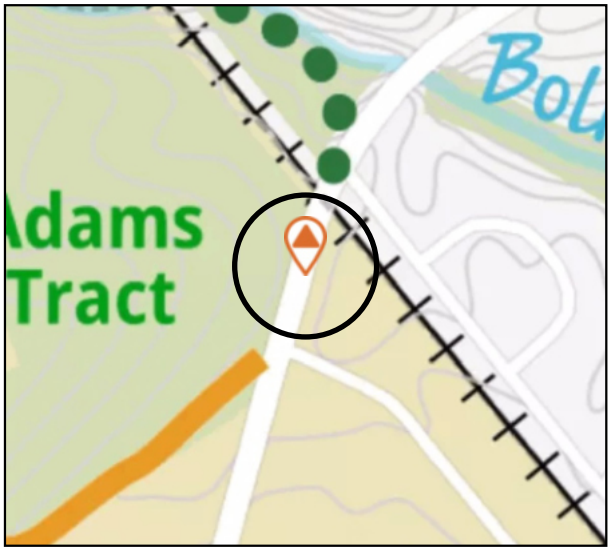
Off road parking already often at capacity.



Commenter id: 36234 2
Date: 2023-06-30
Area of concern

Estes Dr. is the most efficient connection between the trail area and downtown Carrboro, but very uncomfortable for pedestrians and cyclists. It should have a wide sidewalk or off-street path.

Commenter id: 36234 2
Date: 2023-06-30
Destination I would use the trails to get to

The trail will be much more usable with a seamless connection to Umstead Park and the Chapel Hill trail network around Bolin Creek

Commenter id: 362407
Date: 2023-07-02
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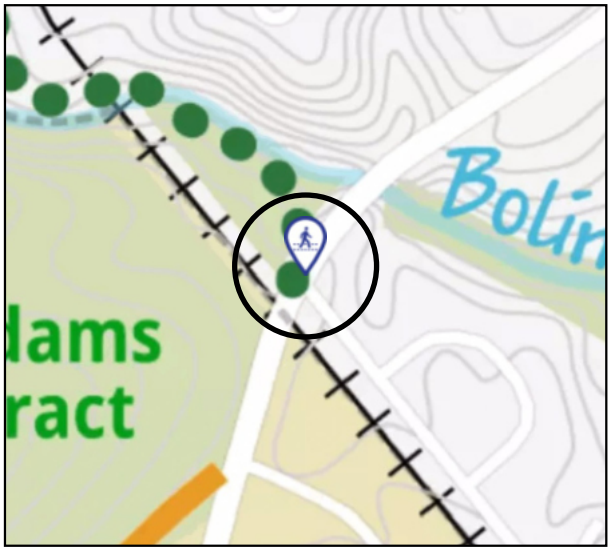
Connector to Ironwoods neighborhood community access trail (AKA "Cub Alley")



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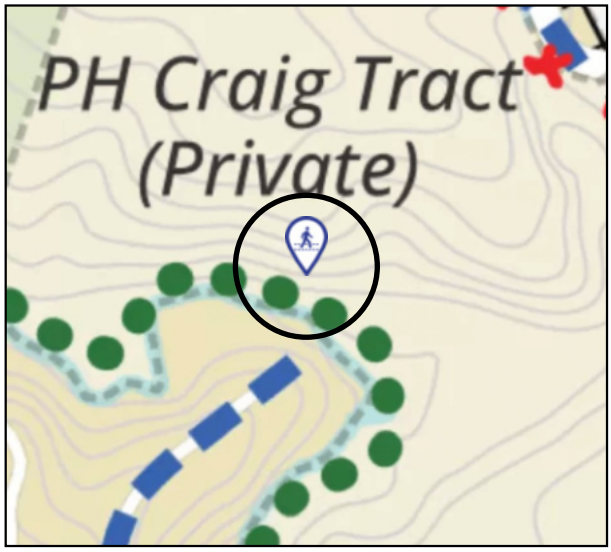
Connector to Chapel Hill section of trail (it would be an unimaginable miss for the Carrboro and Chapel Hill sections not to link up as a single, continuous greenway)



Commenterid:362644
Date:2023-07-07
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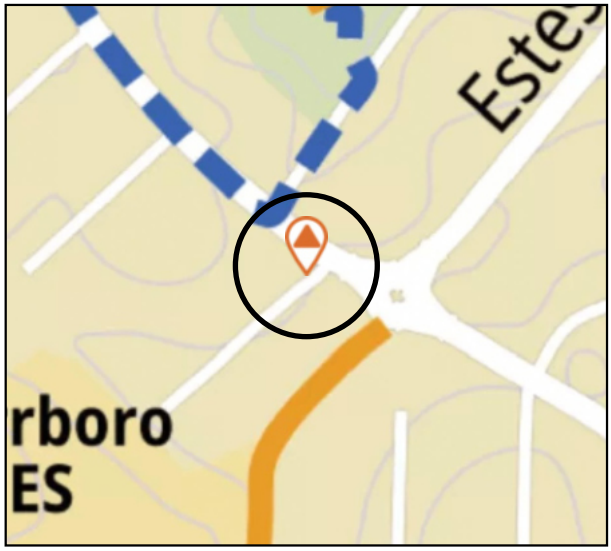
I voted for the Creekside A. However, the Bolin Connector A. indicates where a series of bike lanes (on both sides of the road) could be added. It would benefit residents to have those connections to both MLK and Wilson Park.- Shane Nye



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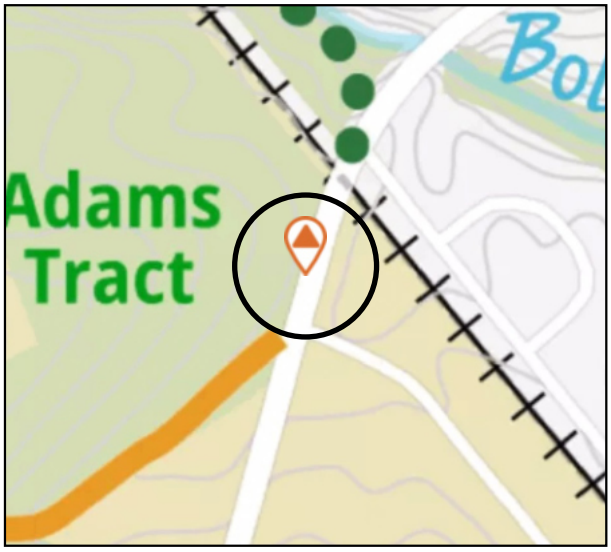
Area of concern

What can be added to allow bikers and pedestrians to safely cross N Greensboro to get to the Wilson park section of BCG.



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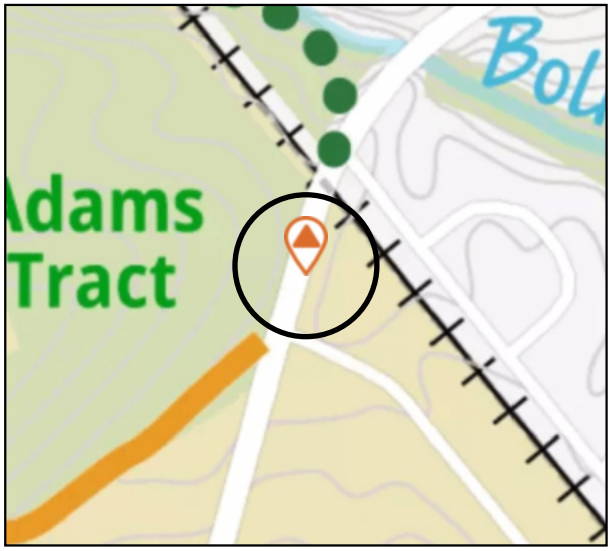
Area of concern

I lived in a townhouse right on the other side of the tracks in Chapel Hill off Estes.It's quite dangerous to cross and get to the existing Wilson Park section of the BCG.How can we fix this? Is there a way to create a crossing on Adams Tract or via Umstead Park such as a crosswalk with flashing lights?



Commenterid:362659
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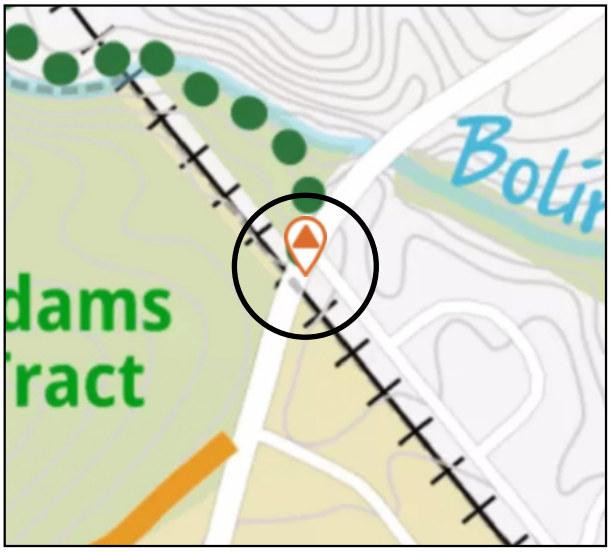
Should have a direct connector to Wilson Park! Avoid connecting to the high volume vehicle traffic on Estes as there are no bike lanes on the Carrboro side of Estes!!



Commenterid:362933
Date:2023-07-11
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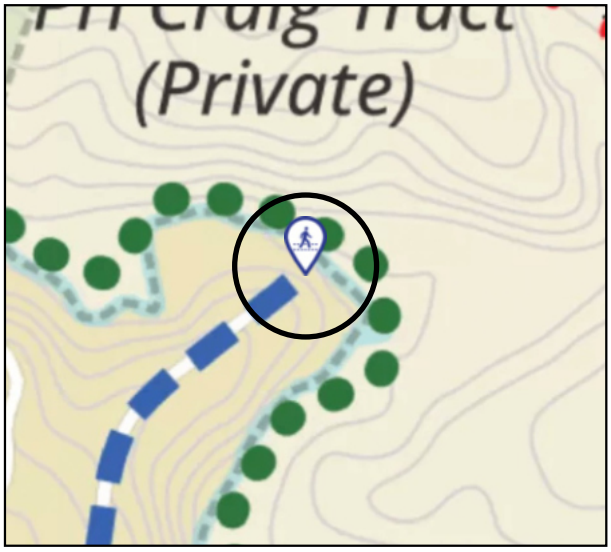
Once I get here,how do I get to Carrboro? Up to Wilson Park? Down to Umstead Park.So many hills.



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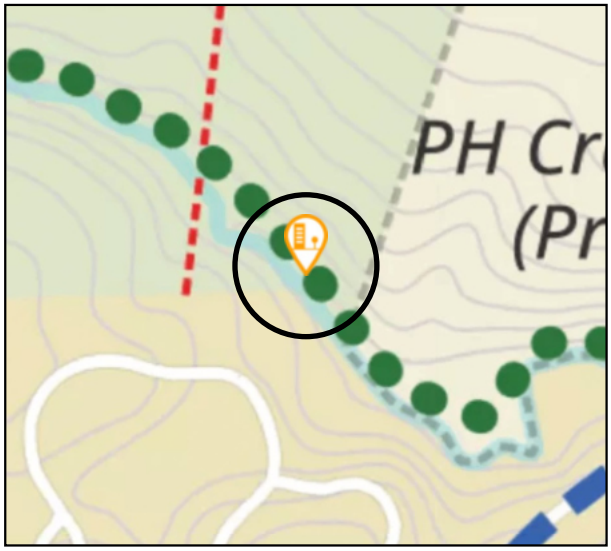
There is no way to cross the creek from this entrance unless you go further downstream to the old wooden bridge.Most of this is HOA land so it is not an option.This leaves Bolin Forest unable to access the alignment in a long term way.



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Date:2023-07-12
Destination I would use the trails to get to

I would use the trail to get to Carolina North

Commenterid:363928
Date:2023-07-30
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We moved to carrboro precisely because we could sit by the water along bolin creek,uninterrupted,immersed in nature.Our concern is that this intervention will interrupt natural habitat,increase noise and light pollution and detract from the serenity this one sole patch of nature offers urban dwellers.Carrboro has the opportunity to steward environmental preservation and offer a rare patch of serenity for nature seekers,close to home.

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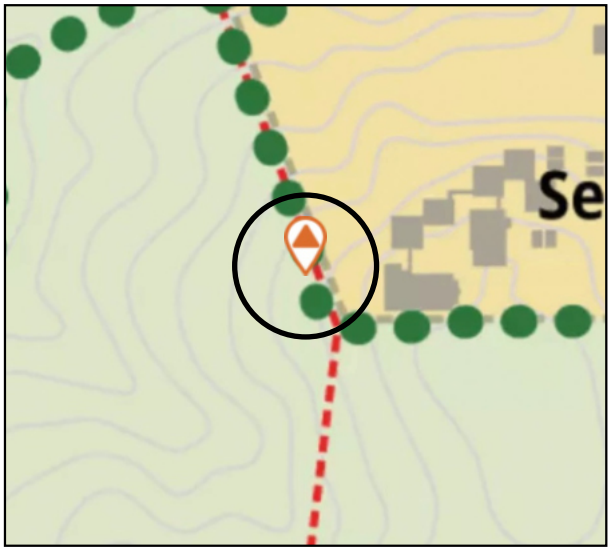

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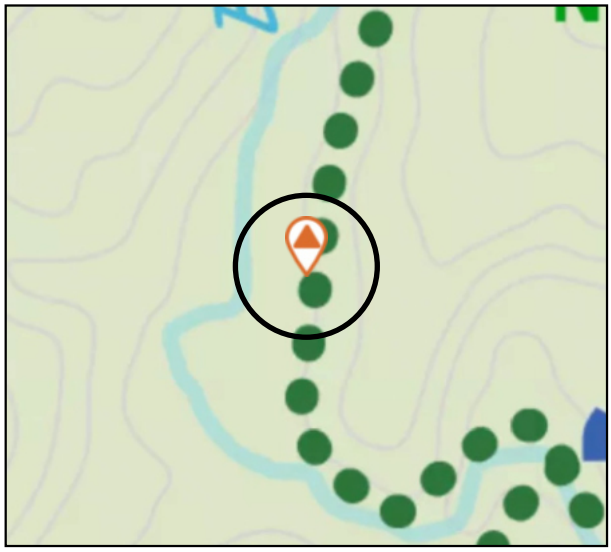

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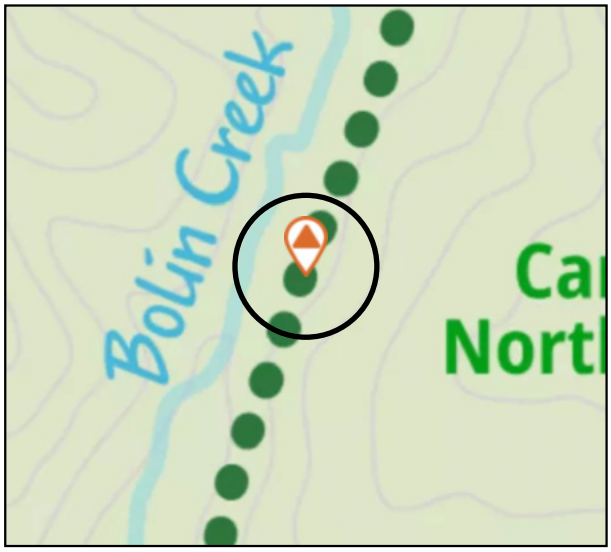

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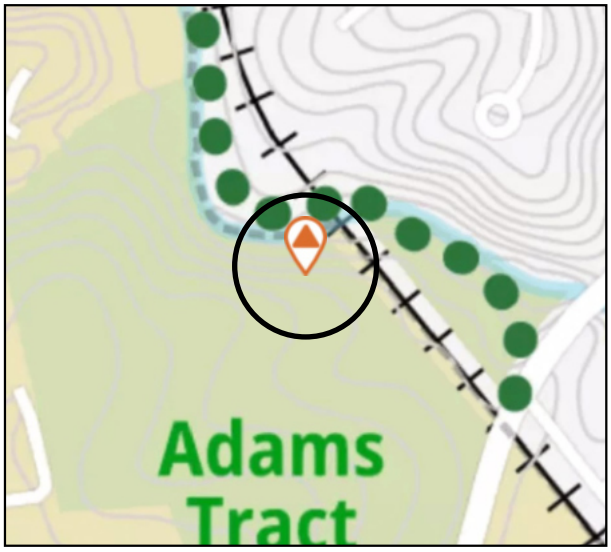

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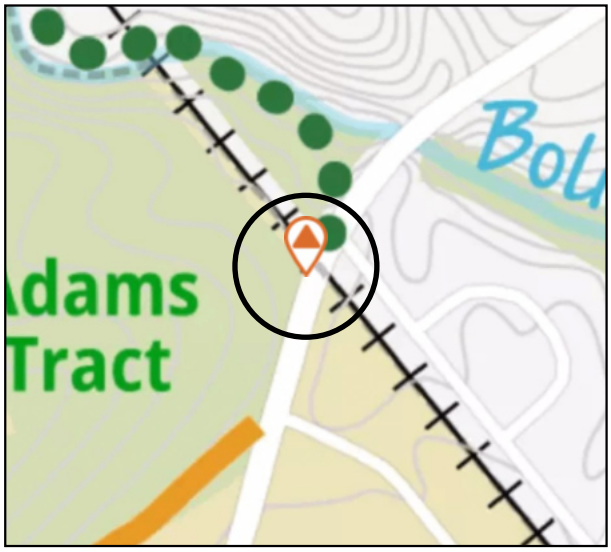

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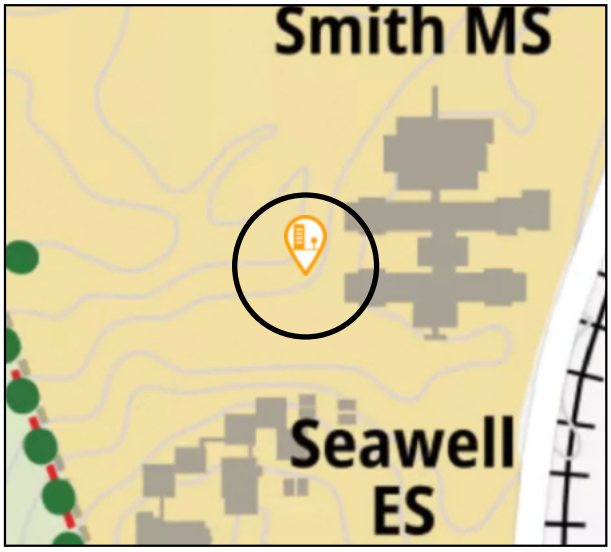
I live at Estes Park and use this area often.The railroad crossing on Estes Drive is difficult to cross on bike,especially with heavy traffic. Improving this connection is critical to access the proposed alignment,and connecting Wilson Park.



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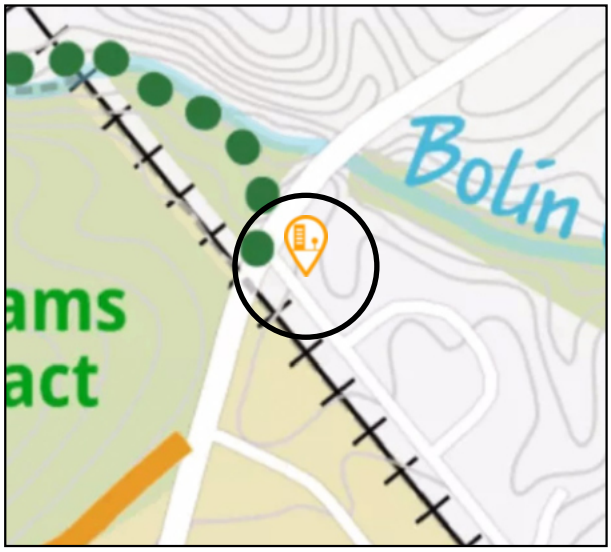
Destination I would use the trails to get to

My child would ride their bike to Smith Middle School from our neighborhood.



Commenterid:364971
Date:2023-08-23
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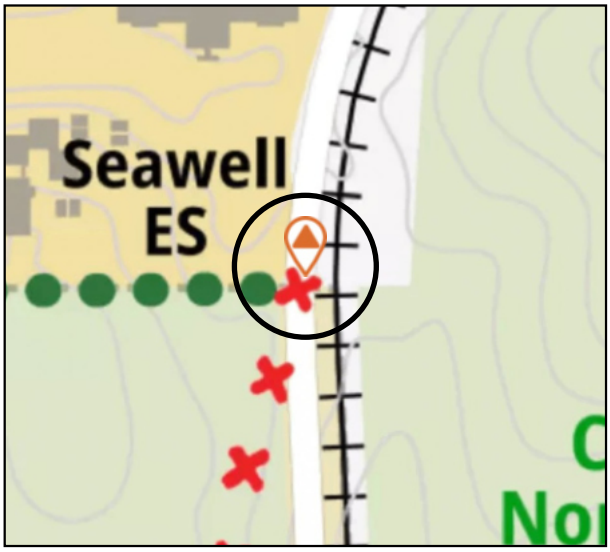
I would use the Creekside route to seamlessly access the Chapel Hill portion of Bolín Creek Trail (CH BC T) from my home on Pathway...giving me safe access to the bookstore, restaurants, the mall, and the library I frequent. Also, on weekends I frequently ride recreationally on the CH BC T. This option would give me a much safer route to the CH BC T (crossing Estes at bottom of Wilson Pk trail is always scary even with the pedestrian crossing marked, as is riding along Estes to access CH BC T in Umstead park).



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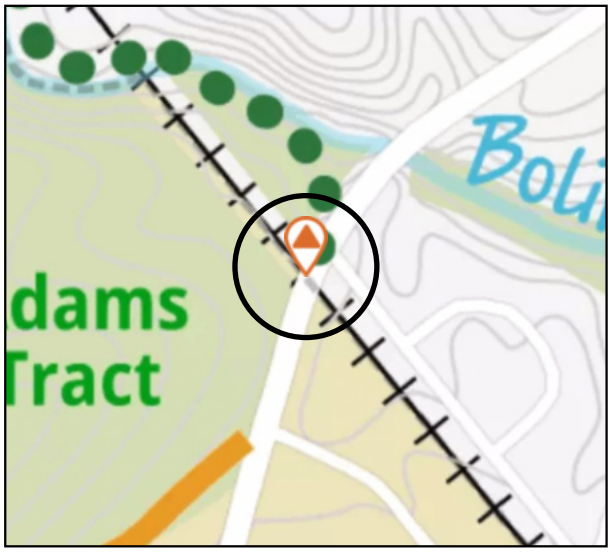
Why does this route end here!? What a shame to not connect with the existing trail that ends at high school...huge missed opportunity. As an avid biker, these disconnects are maddening, and make commuting and recreational biking unnecessarily less safe.

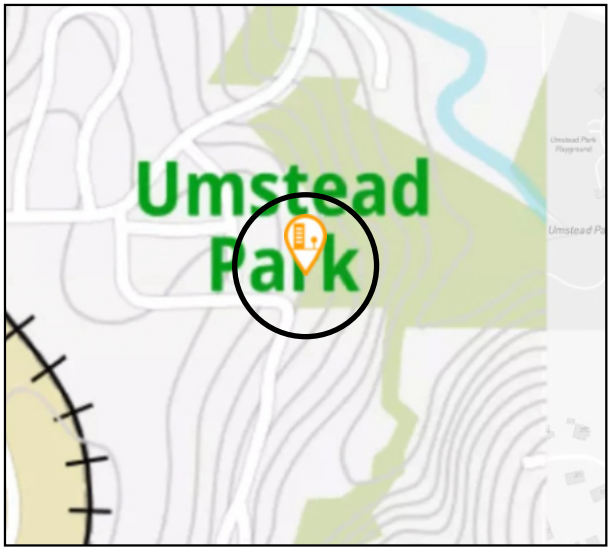
Commenterid:364971
Date:2023-08-23
Area of concern

As a frequent walker and biker,the connector alignment makes no sense to me and is not a viable option.Itincludes long stretches of Greensboro and Seawell School Rd,which aren't safe for children and teens on bikes.This circuitous,long route will do little to encourage folks to commute to work or school,and does little to nothing to address the climate emergency we face.



Commenterid:365156
Date:2023-08-26
Area of concern

Access to the Bolin creek greenway from Creekside alignment is accessible by crossing Estes.This is concerning given the number of speeding cars,blind curves,and limited lighting.There is a crosswalk south of the tracks but again does not illuminate(flashing lights) and is poorly lit.Another crosswalk or even stop sign should be planned for Estes and Village Dr.



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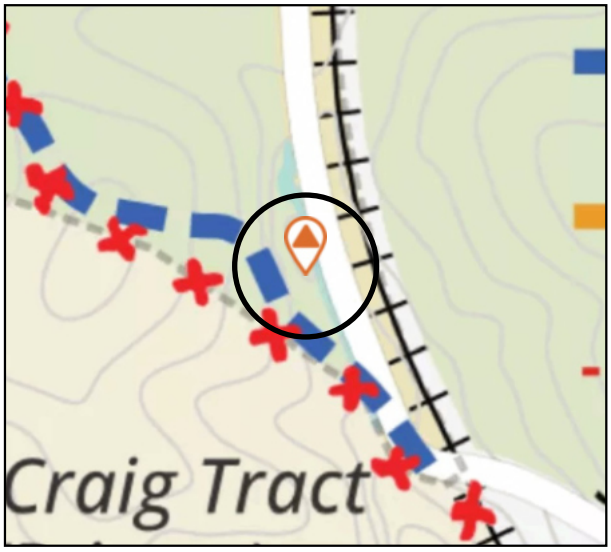
Biking from north Chapel Hill (Chapel Hill HS) to Chapel Hill Community Center park.



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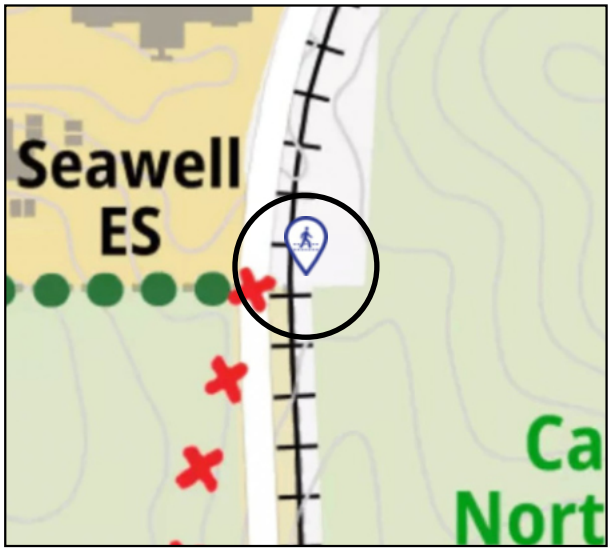
Upland forestalignment could be betersuited as a path along-side or part of seawell school road.This road is already used by bikers and does not have a dedicated bike lane.The road is relatively flat and there is roomfor expansion on either side which could be added.



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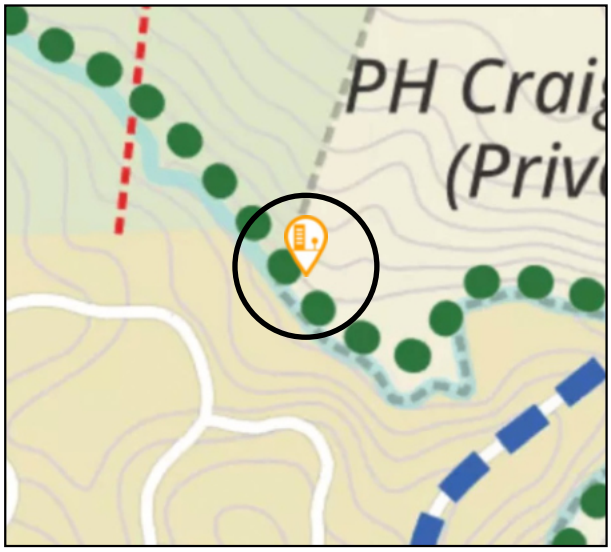
Need access pointhere

Crosswalk crossing Seawell school rdto the eastern part of Carolina North Forest from the Elementary school entrance.The footpath across the traintrack likely doesn't need to be improved.



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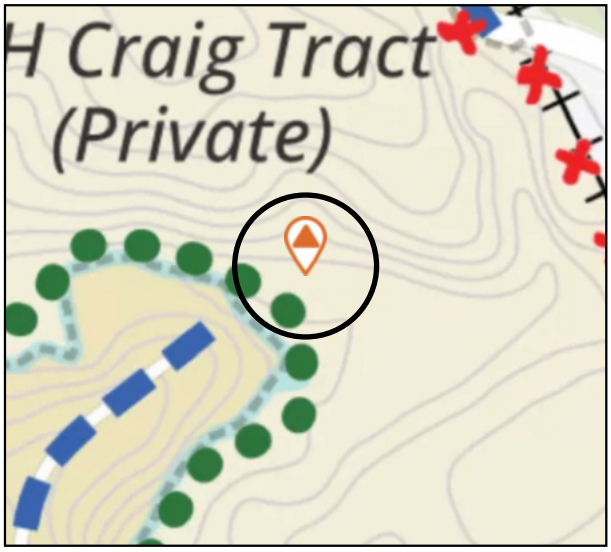
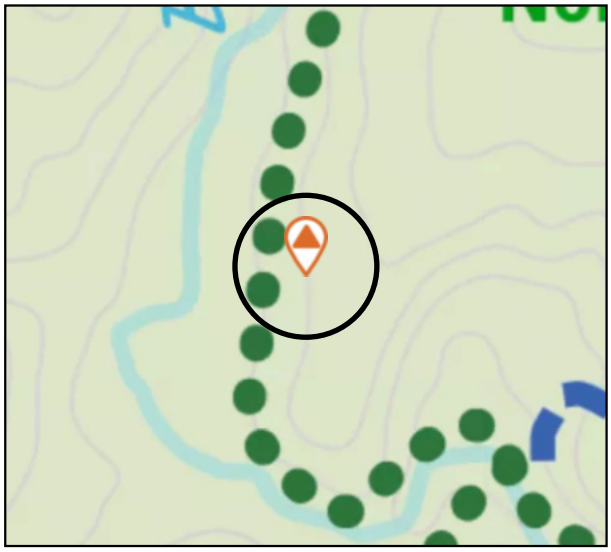
Creekside alignment is very much needed.Given the two creek crossing and routineuse it would greatly benefit the community. Some areas arevery rocky and others have standing water and mud. Also,connection to the existing northerntail near Homestead rd should be relativelyeasy to implementand inexpensive compared to the rest of the project.



Commenterid:3664 24
Date:2023-09-12
Area of concern

This section is a bottleneck and gets flooded very quickly up and over both sides do the creek.The only way out are two very steep embankments.It could be very dangerous to have pavement and children here



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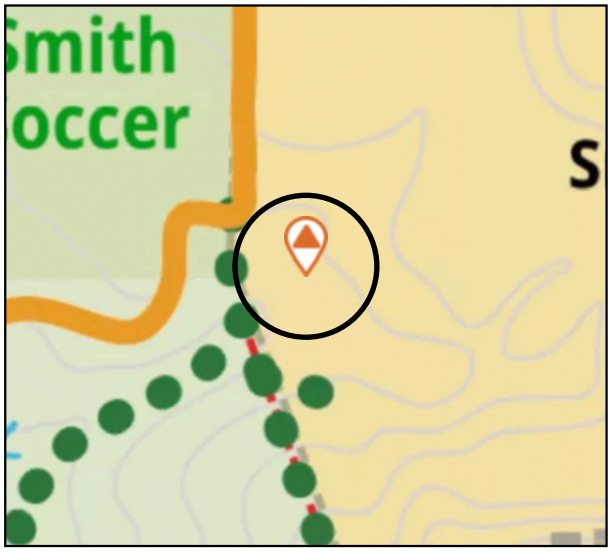
Such wonderful birds and critters live here.Paving could alter their habitat and we would lose the thing that makes the forest special: the flora and fauna



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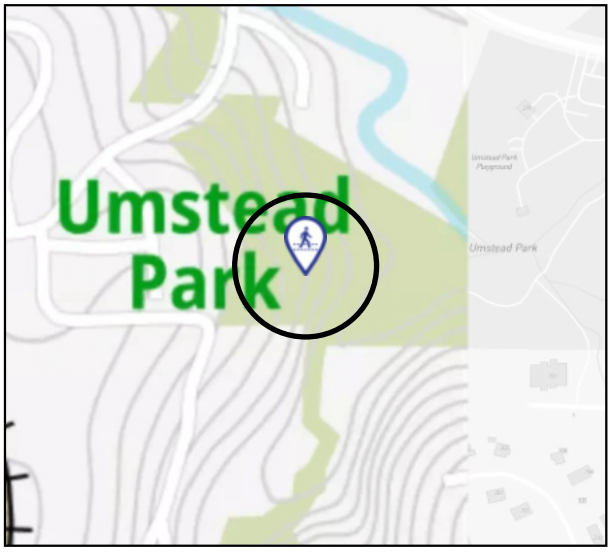
This map is incorrect.There is already a paved trail that connects the highschool to the middle schools.Paving this section would be redundant.It's also a 10+% grade here.How would you flatten this since section?



Commenter id: 367739
Date: 2023-09-29
Need access point here

I am confused how we can have a Bolin Creek Greenway that doesn't connect to (or even acknowledge on the planning maps) the existing and well-known Bolin Creek Trail in Chapel Hill. I have been peripherally aware of this initiative for a long time and always assumed it was about extending that Greenway into Carrboro. If not connecting then the new trail needs a new and distinct name.