

Culpeper County Bicycle Study

Culpeper County Buildings and
Grounds Meeting
November 18th, 2008



Study Purpose

- Develop Culpeper County Bicycle Master Plan
- Aid VDOT and developers in planning for future improvements
- Enhance bicycle mobility and safety in Culpeper County
- Foster economic development and tourism initiatives



Study Background

- Town of Culpeper Sidewalk, Bikeway, and Trail Master Plan was completed in July 2007
- This project builds on the Town of Culpeper Plan



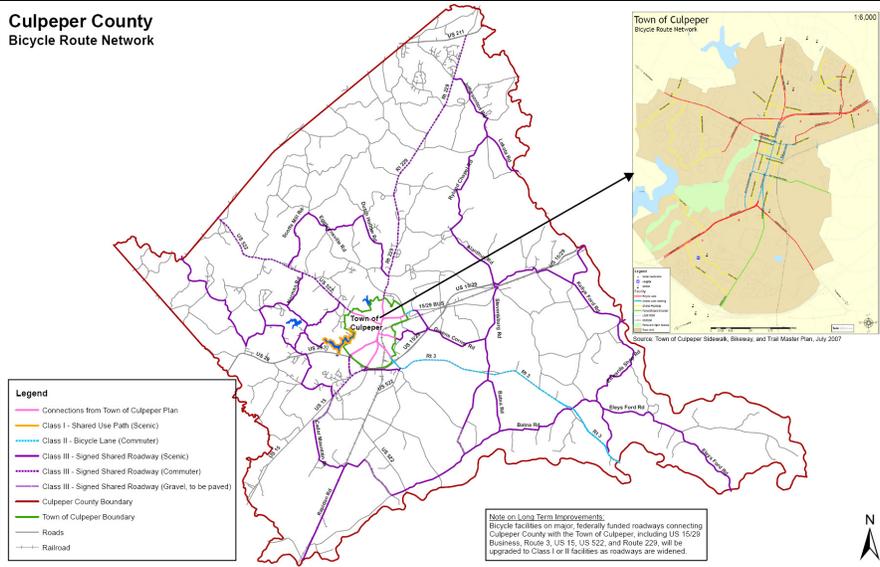
Study Process

- Data Collection:
 - Existing bicycle routes, common bicycle routes, attractions, roadway characteristics, average daily traffic volumes
- Existing Bicycle Plans
- Assessment and Prioritization of Potential Routes
- Elements of Proposed Bicycle Route Network
- Input from Technical Advisory Committee:
 - Town of Culpeper, Culpeper County, Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission, Culpeper Tourism, VDOT, and local bicycle community



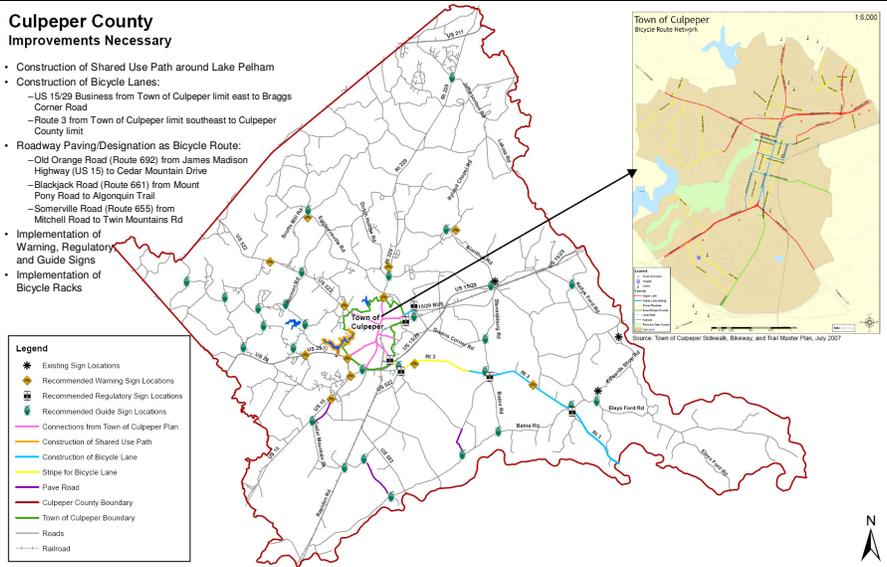
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Culpeper County Bicycle Route Network



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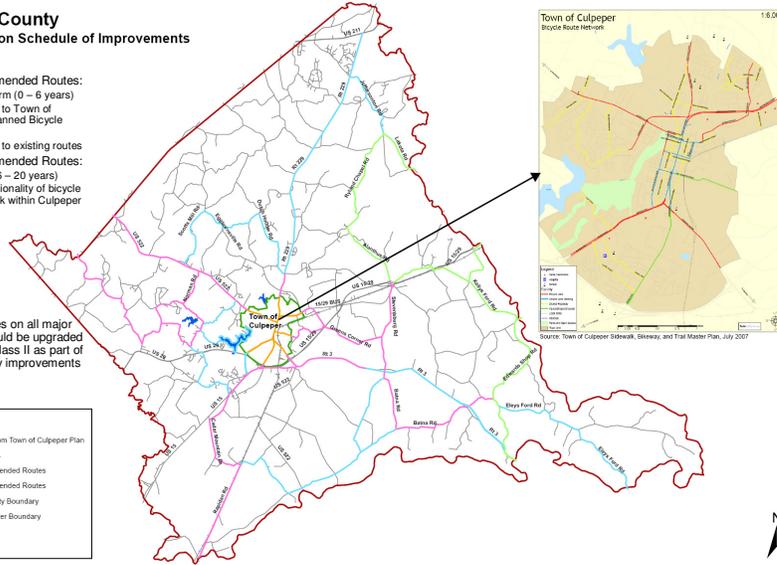
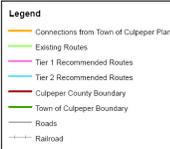


Recommendations: Implementation Schedule

Culpeper County Implementation Schedule of Improvements

- Tier 1 Recommended Routes:
 - Short/Mid-term (0 – 6 years)
 - Connectivity to Town of Culpeper Planned Bicycle Routes
 - Connectivity to existing routes
- Tier 2 Recommended Routes:
 - Long-term (6 – 20 years)
 - Extend functionality of bicycle route network within Culpeper County

- Bicycle facilities on all major roadways should be upgraded to Class I or Class II as part of future roadway improvements

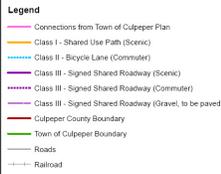


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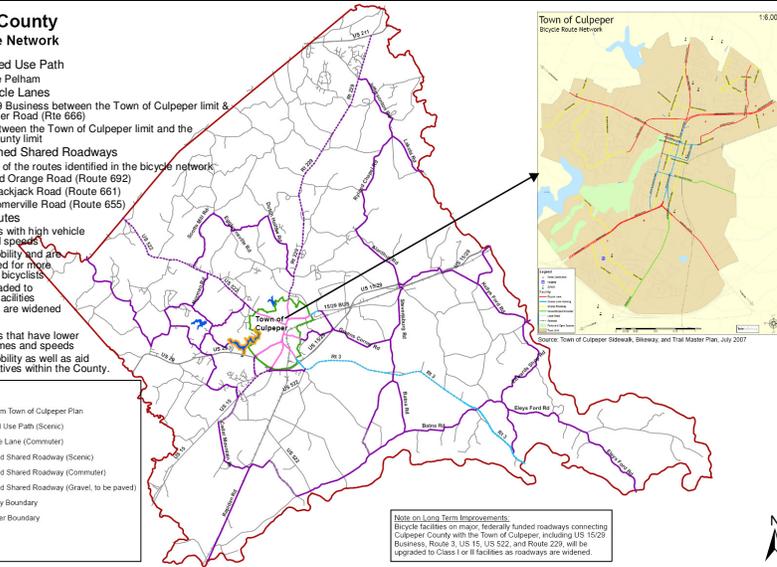
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Culpeper County Bicycle Route Network

- Class I – Shared Use Path
 - Around Lake Pelham
- Class II – Bicycle Lanes
 - On US 15/29 Business between the Town of Culpeper limit & Braggs Corner Road (Rte 666)
 - On Rte 3 between the Town of Culpeper limit and the Culpeper County limit
- Class III – Signed Shared Roadways
 - The balance of the routes identified in the bicycle network
 - Paving of Old Orange Road (Route 692)
 - Paving of Blackjack Road (Route 661)
 - Paving of Somerville Road (Route 655)
- Commuter Routes
 - On roadways with high vehicle volumes and speeds
 - Enhance mobility and are recommended for more experienced bicyclists
 - Will be upgraded to Class I or II facilities as roadways are widened
- Scenic Routes
 - On roadways that have lower vehicle volumes and speeds
 - Enhance mobility as well as aid tourism initiatives within the County.



Note on Long Term Improvements:
Bicycle facilities on major, federally funded roadways connecting Culpeper County with the Town of Culpeper, including US 15/29 Business, Route 3, US 15, US 522, and Route 220, will be upgraded to Class I or II facilities as roadways are widened.



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