

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 31, 2024

TO: Michelle Heit, Supervisor, New Buffalo Township

Darwin Watson, City Manager, City of New Buffalo

FROM: Eric Engel, Staff Engineer

RE: New Buffalo Township Marquette Greenway Trail Project Update- **Week of May 27, 2024**

Project Overview

This project implements the first phase of the Marquette Greenway Trail in Michigan. The project encompasses a City of New Buffalo trailhead with parking, picnic area and bike repair station at Smith and Mechanic Streets and a 10-foot-wide paved path along US-12 from Willard Street to the railroad crossing at Grand Beach Road. The project was awarded to Kalin Construction.

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Within the city limits of New Buffalo, Martin J Concrete Inc. poured concrete for the 10-foot-wide section of the Marquette Greenway Trail. The sub-contractor is scheduled to complete the remaining ADA ramps and concrete driveways in the upcoming weeks. Please see Figure 1.



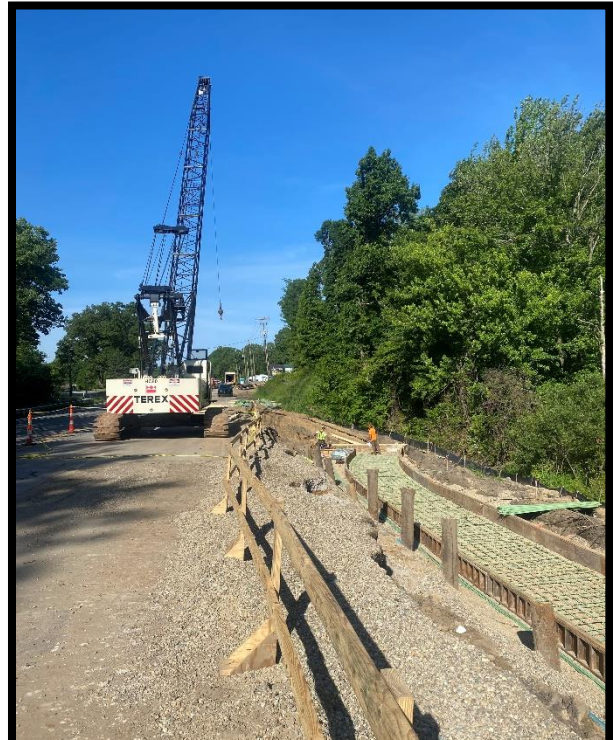
Figure1. Completed Marquette Greenway Trail- Week of May 27, 2024

This week, Kalin Construction began site grading the trailhead parking lot located at the W Mechanic Street and N Smith Street intersection. The contractor placed a layer of sand and the aggregate base layer in preparation for concrete work and paving operations.

The contractor also continued site grading and laying the aggregate base layer of the non-motorized trail working southwest from N Monroe Street. The path will transition from concrete to asphalt at the N Monroe Street and US-12 intersection.



Site Grading Trailhead at W Mechanic Street and N Smith Street Intersection



Tying Steel for Retaining Wall Footing

Comcast is scheduled to perform power switchovers along US-12 from N Monroe Street through the Grand Beach railroad crossing in the coming weeks.

Anlaan Corporation continued forming the retaining wall footing and tying in steel rebar for structural support. Anlaan Corporation is scheduled to pour concrete for the retaining wall footing Monday, June 3, 2024. Once the footing is set, the contractor will install the first course of block for the retaining wall.

Next week, Kalin construction will resume excavation and site grading of the aggregate base layer along US-12 for the non-motorized trailway. Kalin Construction is also scheduled to begin paving operations for the non-motorized trail, southwest of N Monroe Street, on Friday, June 7, 2024. Additionally, Martin J Concrete Inc is scheduled to complete pouring driveways and sidewalk ramps within the city limits.

Kalin Construction received their permit to begin work within Amtrak's right-of-way. Work may commence starting June 7, 2024.

A double-lane closure is in place on US-12 for traffic control. This closure is scheduled to remain until the completion of the boardwalk, part of the non-motorized path along US-12.

If you have any project questions or would like to be added to the email list for project updates, please contact Eric Engel of the project team at eengel@abonmarche.com or (269) 281-6602.

