

MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 19, 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 July 15, 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.

Marquette Greenway Trail Project

This week, Anlaan Corporation completed installing timber piles for the foundation of the boardwalk.

Kalin Construction also continued stripping topsoil, path grading, and aggregate base placement for the 10-foot-wide non-motorized trail, southwest of the boardwalk location along US-12.

Marquette Greenway Trail updates within the city limits of New Buffalo are complete. Please see Figure 1.

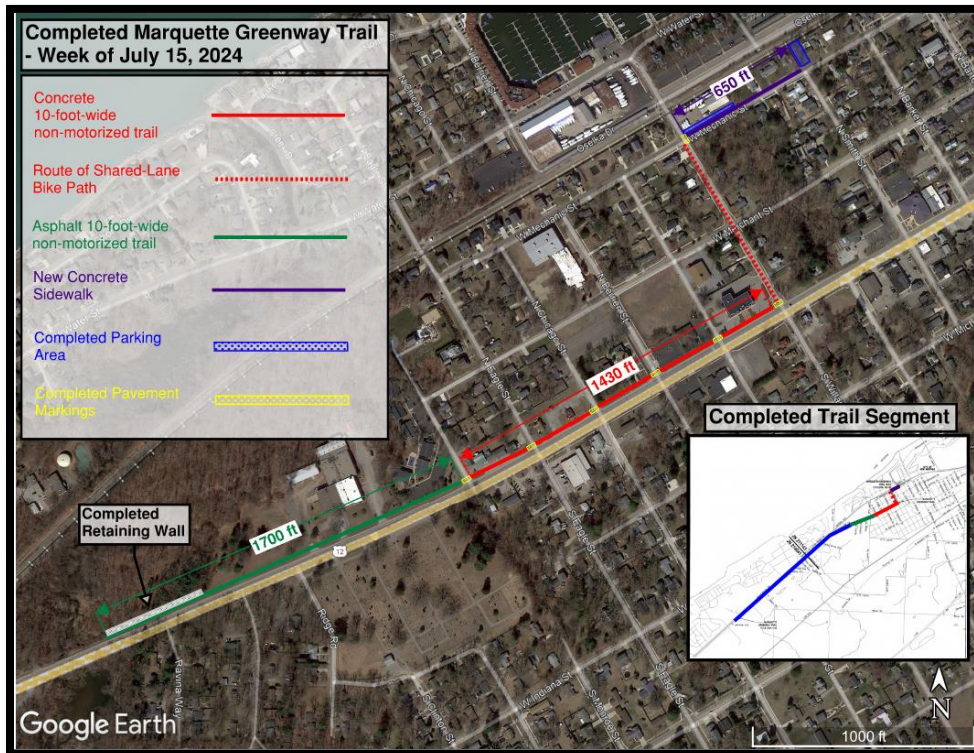


Figure 1. Completed Marquette Greenway Trail- Week of July 15, 2024

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Installed Boardwalk Timber Piles



Hammer Drill Driving Timber Piles

Next week, Anlaan Corporation will continue construction of the boardwalk, southwest of the retaining wall location. With the timber piles installed, the contractor will begin installing cross members for the boardwalk.

Kalin Construction is scheduled to continue stripping topsoil, path grading, and laying aggregate base for the 10-foot-wide non-motorized trail, southwest of the boardwalk location along US-12.

Additionally, D-K Fence Company is scheduled to complete installation of the security fence along the Amtrak easement. Once installed, Kalin Construction will begin curb and ramp removals at the Forest Beach and Grand Beach crossings. The contractor will then place and establish grade for the gravel base before replacing the concrete sidewalk and ramp in the following weeks.

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.

