

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 26, 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 22, 2024**

### Project Overview

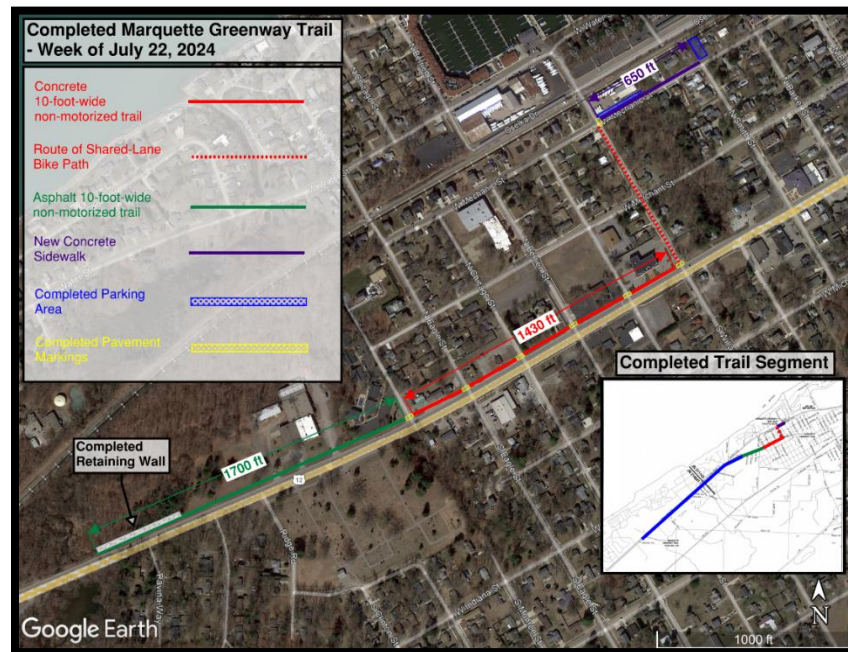
This project implements the first phase of the Marquette Greenway Trail in Michigan. The project encompasses a City of New Buffalo trailhead with parking, picnic area and bike repair station at Smith and Mechanic Streets and a 10-foot-wide paved path along US-12 from Willard Street to the railroad crossing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

### Marquette Greenway Trail Project

This week, Kalin Construction completed curb and ramp removals at the Grand Beach and Forest Beach crossings. The contractor also completed stripping topsoil, path grading, and aggregate base placement for the 10-foot-wide non-motorized trail, southwest of the boardwalk location along US-12.

Anlaan Corporation successfully installed the concrete abutment southwest of the boardwalk location. The abutment provides the necessary support and stability for the boardwalk, ensuring that it can safely bear the load of the boardwalk where it transitions back to asphalt. Additionally, the sub-contractor began installing boardwalk cross members and headers.

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 22, 2024**



**Removing Forms for Boardwalk Abutment**

Next week, Kalin Construction will continue laying and grading the aggregate base layer for the non-motorized trail southwest of the boardwalk location. The contractor will work with D-K Fence Company who is scheduled to install the security fence along the Amtrak easement.

Anlaan Corporation will continue construction of the boardwalk, southwest of the retaining wall location. With the timber piles and concrete abutment fully installed, the contractor will continue installing cross members, headers, and guard railing for the boardwalk.

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 [eenengel@abonmarche.com](mailto:eenengel@abonmarche.com) or (269) 281-6602.



**Beginning of Boardwalk Installation**



**Installation of Cross Members for Boardwalk**

