

# Highland, White Lake, & Waterford Pathways



Oakland County has a vast array of natural and manmade amenities. Water features, natural areas, recreation lands and historic town centers provide a rich diversity of experience to both citizens and visitors. It is in the county's short and long term interest to maintain and enhance our "Natural Advantage". The evolving Oakland County linked pathway system offers the potential of providing direct access to these features through a network trails, side/safety paths, bike routes, and park paths. This map resource is intended to assist continuing efforts to develop the system to serve the growing population of Oakland County.

This map depicts general locations for non-motorized transportation and recreation facilities throughout Oakland County. The information shown has been supplied by local units of government and park agencies. The information has not been field checked by Oakland County. Consult local units of government and area park agencies for detailed pathway information and updates.

Where provided, information regarding side/safety paths is illustrated on both sides of the roadway. These locations are represented by wider and in some instances multi-colored lines.

- Trail** Multi-use pathways that are generally separate from roadways
- Safety/Side Path** Multi-use pathways that are generally located within a road right-of-way but separate from the roadway surface. Side/safety paths are generally wider than sidewalks.
- Sidewalk** Pedestrian pathways that are generally located within a road right-of-way, but separate from the roadway surface and are typically not as wide as safety/side paths. Multi-use is not recommended on sidewalks.
- Route** Bicycle facilities located on or directly connected to the roadway surface. Bicycle routes are usually identified with a "Bicycle Route" sign.
- Park Path** Pathways within an existing County, State, Municipal, or Metropark recreation area. These pathways may be designed and designated for specific user groups or seasonal activity.
- Bike Lane** A portion of a roadway which has been designated by striping, signing and pavement markings for the preferential or exclusive use of bicyclists.
- Water Trail** Waterways that will support established kayaking and canoeing trails.

**County Pathway Concept**  
The county pathways system is comprised of a vision to link pathways and greenways throughout Oakland County and Southeastern Michigan. The county concept envisions a hierarchy of pathways. The primary corridors in the pathways system include a Cross County Trail and a North County Trail Loop. Secondary pathways will provide links to features and resources at the local community level.



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\*\*The information provided herewith has been compiled from recorded deeds, plats, tax maps, surveys and other public records. It is not a legally recorded map or survey and is not intended to be used as one. Users should consult the information sources mentioned above when questions arise.\*\*

## EXISTING PATHWAYS

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SAFETY/SIDE PATH	SIDEWALK	MILES	PARK PATHS	MILES	MT BIKE	EQUESTRIAN
	<b>RESIDENTIAL DEVEL.</b>					
Misc. M59 (2 MILES)	Prestwick	4				White Eagle*
(Tipsico Lk Rd-	Glenns	1/4	Highland Oaks	1 1/2		S. High Mead*
Duck Lk Rd)	Cobblestone	1	Hickory Pines	1 1/4		
	Knollview	1	Duck Lk Pines	1	High. Rec	Highland Rec
	Briarcliff	1 1/4	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3 3/4</b>		Highland Oaks
<b>REFUGE LANE</b>	Bayview	1/2				
Misc. M59 (6 MILES)	Chelsey Park	1/4				
(Tipsico Lk Rd-	High Pointe Estates	1/2				
Duck Lk Rd)	Pinewood South	1/4				
	S. Bay Shores	1/2				
	Huntwood	2				
	Lakeside Pines	1/4				
	Waling Woods	1/4				
	Countryside Condo	1/2				*UNDEVELOPED
	Highland Place	1/2				
	Highland Valley	1/2				
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13.5</b>				
	<b>ROADS</b>					
	Misc. Highland Rd	1/2				
	Misc. Duck Lk Rd	1/2				
	Misc. Milford Rd	3				
	Misc. Harvey LK Rd	1 1/4				
	Misc. Livingston Rd	1/2				
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5 3/4</b>				
	<b>TOTAL PATHWAYS</b>	<b>30 MILES</b>				

## PROPOSED PATHWAYS

Highland Township is proposing twenty-seven miles of new pathways to be installed over the next ten years as illustrated on the Proposed Pathway System Map on page 13 and a corresponding spreadsheet on page 14.

## PRIORITY PATHWAYS

The Charter Township of Highland is planning to install ten miles of pathways in the first five year planning period. The planned pathways would include one mile in Downey Lake Park, a half mile on N. Duck Lake Road, one quarter of a mile on Harvey Lake Road, three miles on Highland Road (M-59), one mile and a half on Livingston Road, three miles on Milford Road, and one mile on E. Wardlow Road.

### *Downey Lake Park*

Downey Lake Park is a thirty-six acre, undeveloped park owned by Charter Township of Highland. The five year plan includes one mile of mowed, shared use park path.



*Downey Lake Park*

### *N. Duck Lake Road*

N. Duck Lake Road has one half mile of existing five foot wide sidewalk near the intersection of Highland Road. Charter Township of Highland proposes a safety/side path or sidewalk along N. Duck Lake Road from Highland Road north to E. Wardlow Road. If needed; Division Street, a platted, but undeveloped street or Waterbury Road could serve as possible alternatives.



*N. Duck Lake Road*

### *Harvey Lake Road*

The five year plan includes a quarter of a mile safety/side path from Highland Road south to E. Livingston Road.

### *Highland Road (M-59)*

Highland Road has two miles of safety/side path ranging from eight to ten feet wide, one half mile of four to six feet wide sidewalk and six miles of refuge lane. The five year plan includes a continuous eight to ten feet wide safety/side path along the north side, the entire length and on the south side at the three major intersections at Duck Lake Road, Milford Road and Hickory Ridge Road to connect the existing businesses.

Highland Township will investigate the need for midblock crossings and improved pedestrian crossings along Highland Road.



*West Highland Road.*

***Livingston Road***

Livingston Road has one half mile of existing four to five feet wide sidewalks. The five year plan includes a continuous six to eight feet wide sidewalk on both sides of Livingston Road from Highland Road east to Eleanor Street. The proposed path would continue east to Harvey Lake Road as a minimum eight feet wide safety/side path or a trail with an equestrian component.

***Milford Road***



Milford Road has areas of existing four to six feet wide sidewalks on both sides of the

street. The five year plan includes a continuous sidewalk along Milford Road from Middle Road south to Briarwood. The sidewalk is planned on both sides of Milford Road and will be six to eight feet wide.

***E. Wardlow Road***

E. Wardlow Road has no existing pathways. The five year plan includes a continuous pathway along the north side of E. Wardlow Road from N. Duck Lake Road west to Vero Drive. The Plan also includes less than one half mile of sidewalk from Vero Drive north west to connect with Spring Mills Elementary School.



*Vero Drive and E. Wardlow Road.*

**FUTURE PATHWAYS**

Over the next ten years Highland Township is planning to expand the pathway system by installing seventeen more miles of new pathways. The proposed pathways will include five and one half miles on Clyde Road, one and one half miles on N. Duck Lake Road, one and one half miles on Milford Road, three miles on Harvey Lake Road, three miles on N. Hickory Ridge Road, one mile Highland Road and one and one half mile on E. Livingston Road.

***Clyde Road***

Clyde Road is gravel and has no existing paths. Clyde Road is a connector to Hickory Ridge Pines Township Park and Highland Oaks County Park. The Township has a Consent Judgment with American Aggregates that states with the signatures of the majority of the affected property owners a petition can be forwarded requesting the construction of a safety path on N. Hickory Ridge and Clyde Roads, along the Haul Route. The ten year plan includes five and one half miles of safety/side path or trail along Clyde Road to Rose Center Road. The pathway will be a minimum of eight feet wide along with an equestrian component.

***North Duck Lake Road***

The ten year plan includes expansion of the pathway on N. Duck Lake Road from E. Wardlow Road north to connect to the Rose Center Road pathway.

***Milford Road***

The ten year plan includes finishing the pathway along the full length of Milford Road.

***Harvey Lake Road***

The ten year plan includes a pathway along Harvey Lake Road from Highland Road north to Highland Oaks County Park in conjunction with Oakland County’s Pathway Plan as illustrated on page 15. The proposed path from Highland Road north to White Lake/N. Milford intersection would be a six to eight feet wide safety/side path or sidewalk. The ten year plan also includes a

minimum eight feet wide safety/side path or trail with an equestrian component north to Highland Oaks County Park.

***North Hickory Ridge Road***

N. Hickory Ridge Road has no existing paths. The ten year plan includes a safety/side path or trail along N. Hickory Ridge Road from Highland Road north to Clyde Road. The safety/side path may possibly be installed under the Consent Judgment with American Aggregates. The pathway would be a minimum of eight feet wide and have an equestrian component.

***West Highland Road***

The ten year plan includes an extension of the safety/side path on W. Highland Road from Hickory Ridge Road west to Tipsico Lake Road.

***East Livingston Road***










The ten year plan includes a pathway along E. Livingston Road from Harvey Lake Road to Duck Lake Road in conjunction with the Oakland County Pathway Concept Plan as illustrated on page 15. The proposed path will be a minimum 8’ wide side/safety path or a trail with an equestrian component.



RESERVED FOR Non-Motorized Pathway Master Plan Map

# OKLAHOMA COUNTY PATHWAY CONCEPT



-  Trail
-  Municipal Boundary
- County Trail Concept\***
-  Complete
-  Design/Development
-  Under Consideration
-  Under Review
-  County Parks
-  HCMA Recreation Land
-  State Recreation Land

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Sources  
 Roads: Oklahoma County GIS, 2008  
 Trail Network: Oklahoma County GIS, 2008  
 Recreation Lands: Oklahoma County GIS, 2008



**OKLAHOMA COUNTY TRAILS MASTER PLAN**