

UPDATING THE CUYAHOGA GREENWAYS PLAN

NEW STANDARDS, NEW TOOLS, NEW
FACILITIES



INTRODUCTIONS



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AGENDA

- Cuyahoga Greenways Recap
- Cleveland Metroparks Progress
- Cleveland Moves Progress
- Cuyahoga Greenways Update

A person wearing a brown jacket and blue jeans is riding a bicycle on a paved path that curves to the right. The path is bordered by gravel on both sides. In the background, a city skyline is visible, including several tall buildings and a prominent tower. The scene is set against a backdrop of green grass and trees, with a green tint overlaying the entire image.

2019 CUYAHOGA GREENWAYS PLAN | RECAP



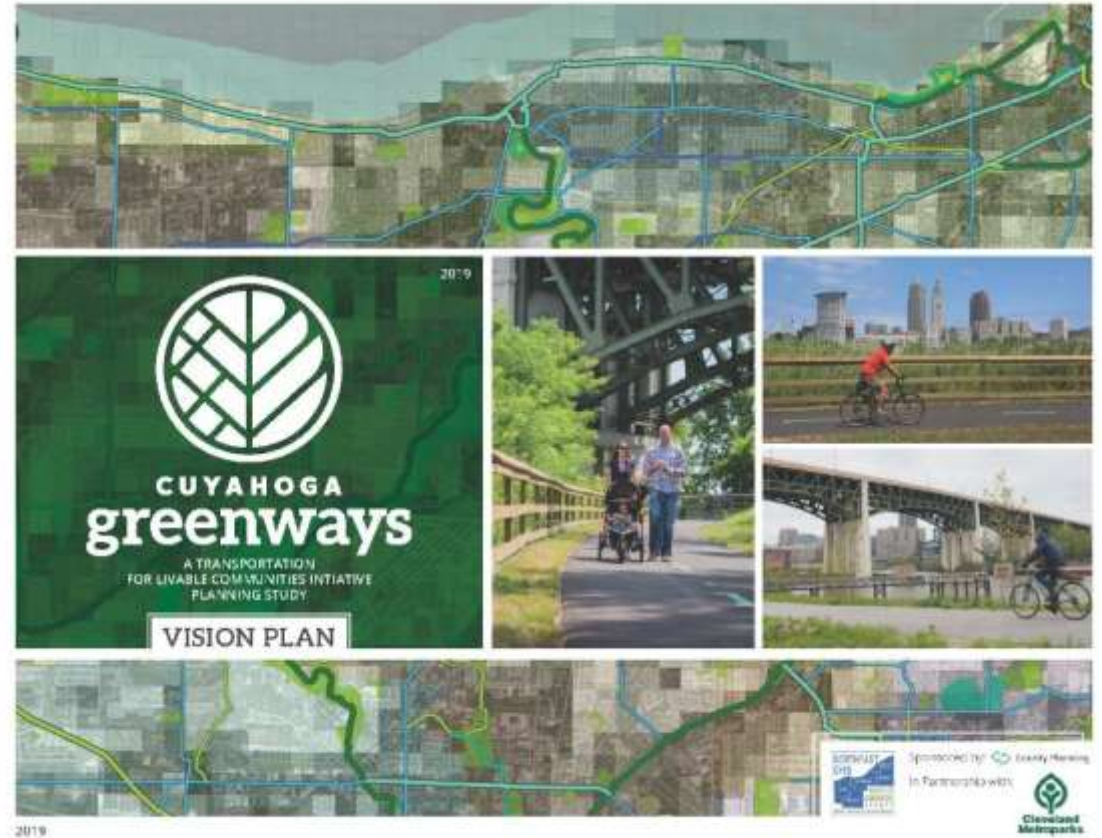
2019 CUYAHOGA GREENWAYS PLAN



EASTSIDE GREENWAY PLAN

A STRATEGIC VISION TO CONNECT EASTERN CUYAHOGA COUNTY

SEPTEMBER 18, 2015



2019 CUYAHOGA GREENWAYS PLAN

- The Plan envisions an 800+ mile, All-Ages-and-Abilities, Active Transportation network.
- Through on-street and off-street facilities, the Plan connects all 59 cities, villages, and townships to each other and the region.
- Route Development
 - 11 Steering Committee Meetings
 - 10 Community Meetings
 - Online Survey and Interactive Map
 - Extensive data analysis: Parks, Habitat, Jobs, Population

Critical Gaps

Critical Gaps are the relatively short sections of future greenways or urban trails that fill “gaps” in the existing regional trail network. These gaps typically connect to existing trails or other non-motorized facilities at both ends.

Regional Links

Regional Links are longer sections of the network. These routes connect to existing regional trails, recreational anchors, major population centers, employment hubs, or trails and communities outside of cuyahoga county.

Key Supporting Routes

Key Supporting Routes are those routes that have a significant opportunity to address local needs. They provide substantial local benefits or other significant links in the network and are thus important projects for implementation.



CUYAHOGA GREENWAY PARTNERS



2026 CUYAHOGA GREENWAYS UPDATE



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- Update our County-wide bikeway inventory
- Develop standards for new alignments
- Track progress of alignments that have advanced from Planning to Preliminary Engineering to Construction since 2019
- Ensure the County-wide Plan aligns with local efforts to help with funding



2026 UPDATE | ESTABLISHING STANDARDS

1. The alignment meets the ODOT Multimodal Design Guidelines for on-street facilities and shared use paths, or ODNR standards for Recreational Trails
2. The alignment results in the Lowest Possible Level of Traffic Stress (LTS 1 Preferred)
3. The development of the alignment had significant public involvement and community support through an approved or adopted Active Transportation Plan, TLCI, or other Planning Process

2026 UPDATE | ESTABLISHING STANDARDS

4. The alignment has the commitment & support of the community government and/or partners for continued upkeep and maintenance
5. The alignment is an ADA-compliant facility that accommodates all non-motorized users (bikes, pedestrians, mobility devices, etc.)
6. The alignment provides a meaningful connection to other Cuyahoga Greenway Routes and/or can be utilized as an active transportation route between key community assets and destinations.

2026 PLAN UPDATE | DEFINING & REFINING DATA SETS



Cuyahoga Bike Network (CBN)

Cuyahoga Greenways Plan

Cuyahoga
Greenways
Network

2026 PLAN UPDATE | PARTNER OUTREACH

- County Planning developed an online Facility Editor so partners & municipalities could report their progress
- Two (2) rounds of letters sent to every community
- County Planning held two (2) Live Training Sessions and one (1) Recorded Training Session
- Interviews & one-on-one training sessions were available by request



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April 9, 2025

City of Bedford
765 Center Road
Bedford, Ohio 44145

RE: Cuyahoga Greenways Plan Update and the new Facilities Editor Tool

Dear Mayor Koci, City Manager Heilis, and Director Kuzma:

On behalf of the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission, I am very pleased to inform you that we have begun the update to the 2019 Cuyahoga Greenways Plan. It's hard to believe that it's been five years since this effort was completed, and with the support of our communities and the Cuyahoga Greenways Partners, we are revisiting the Plan with the goal of updating our current inventory of planned, designed, and built facilities.

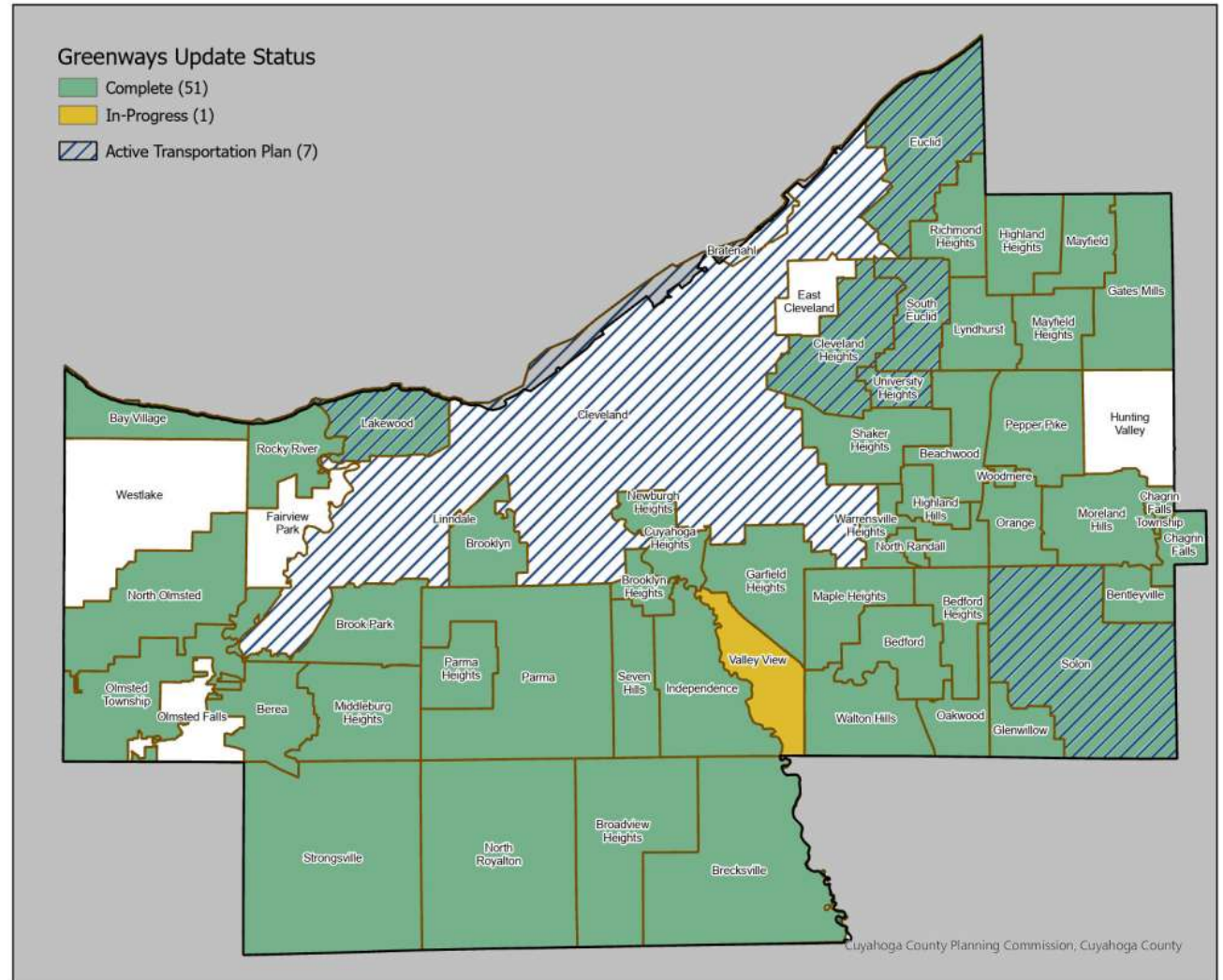
To this end, I'm reaching out to you for your assistance with this task. County Planning is launching its online Facilities Editor tool that communities can use to identify and provide markups on existing, planned, and built Cuyahoga Greenways alignments to their respective jurisdictions. Once data is entered by you and your staff, County Planning will review and refine it and make the necessary changes to the countywide facilities inventory. County Planning will make the results available on an online Facilities Dashboard which will display our collective progress toward completing our active transportation network. These two tools will yield invaluable data for our update. Please click on the following link to access the Facilities Editor tool:

<https://maps.konectgis.com/externalapp/852258465344776530034653477765>



2026 PLAN UPDATE | PARTNER OUTREACH

- Received edits from 53 of 59 communities
- 1 in progress
- 7 communities completed Active Transportation Plans





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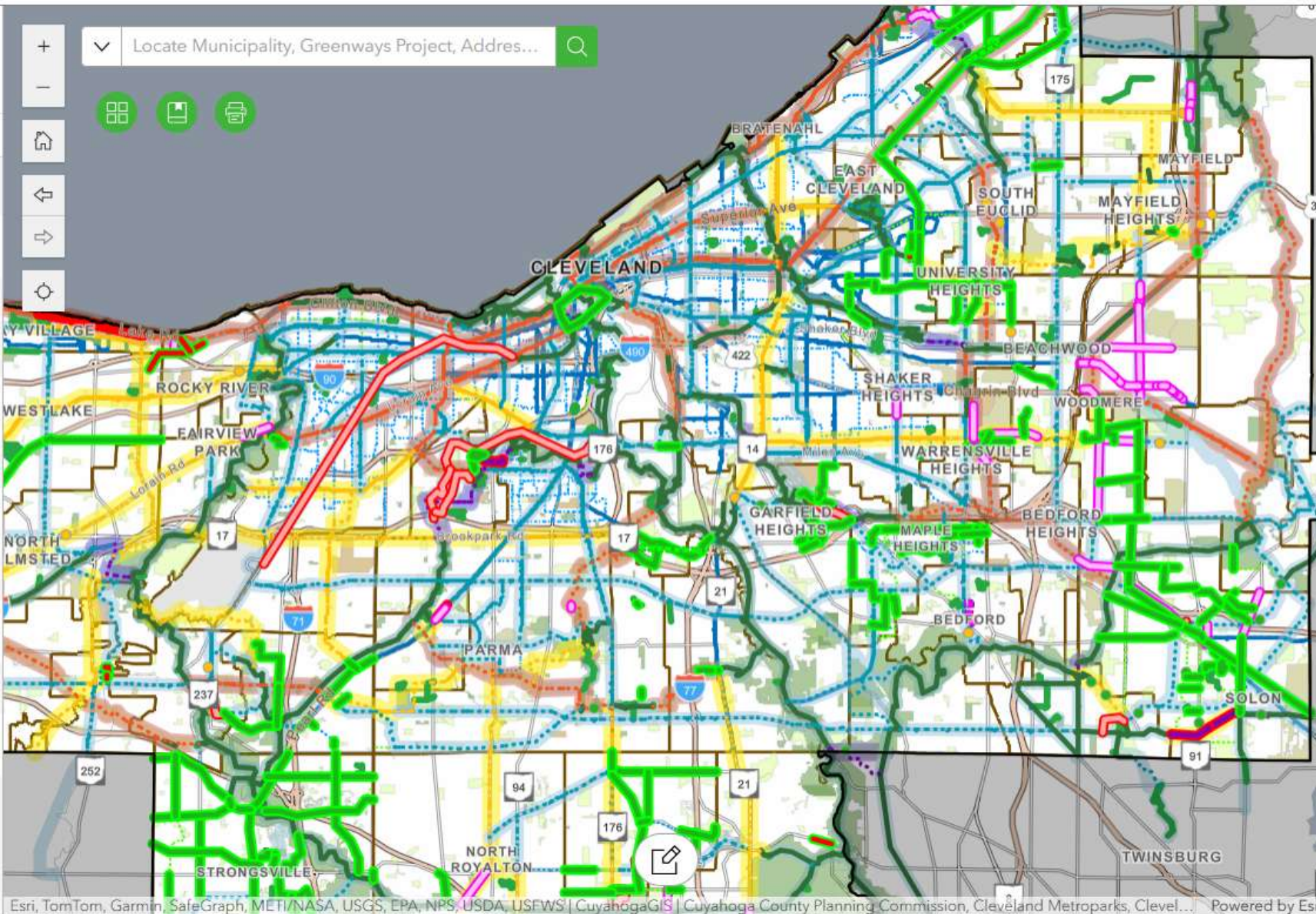
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CBN - Additions: Taylor Rd Reconfiguration Phase II	
Local Name	Taylor Rd Reconfiguration Phase II
Alternate Name	
Facility Status	Funded new facility.
Bike Facility Mode	On-Street
Specific Type of Facility	Buffered Bike Lane
Facility Side	Both
Plan Document	View
Plan URL	View
Editor Notes	Bike lanes on either side with a road diet
Plan Year	2019
Built Year	2026
Editor Name	Ken Bernard





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Editor Name	Liam
Editor Organization	Cuyahoga County Planning Commission
Editor Notes	Deemed unfeasible by Cleveland Metroparks.
Approval Status	Approved

1 of 2

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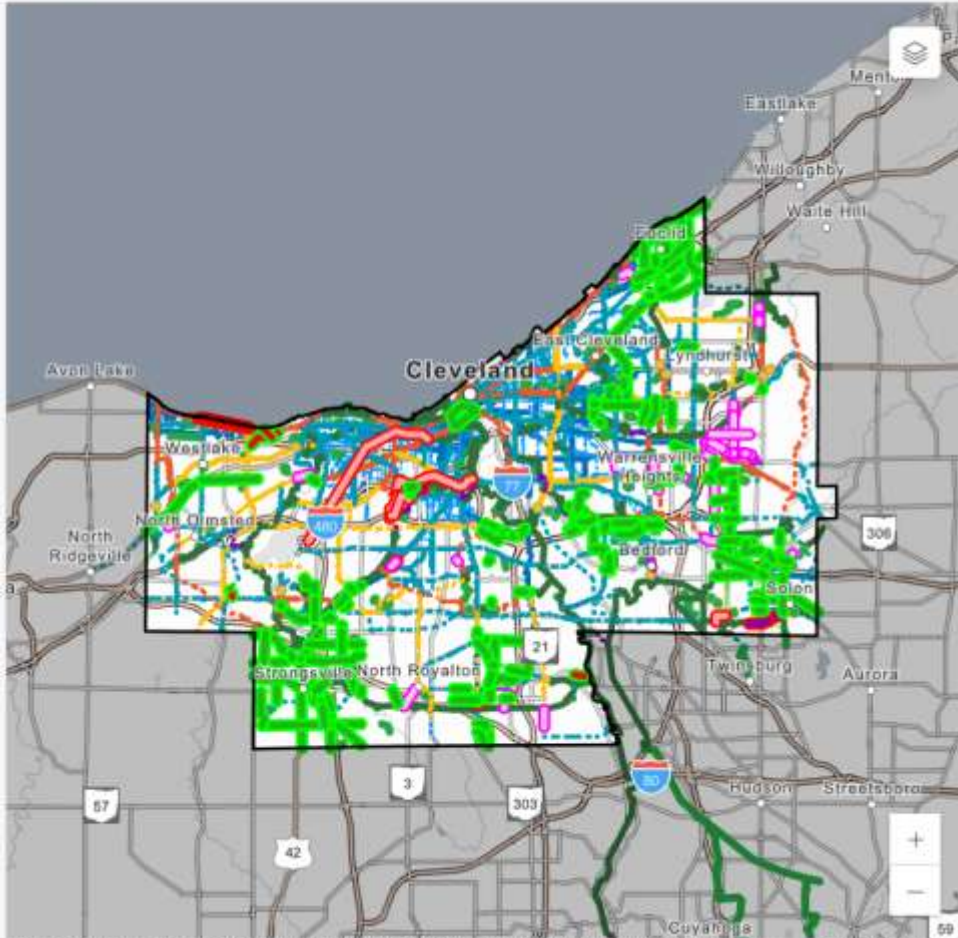
Editor Name	Jordan Snelick
Editor Organization	Chagrin Valley Engineering, LTD.
Comments	Village has no plan for this "Future- supporting route" facility extension. -Village Engineer, Mike Henry.
Plan Year	
Built Year	
Approval Status	Approved

Esri Community Maps Contributors, Ohio Rail Development Commission, Esri, TomTom, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnologies, Inc, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, US Ce... Powered by Esri

2026 PLAN UPDATE | PARTNER RESPONSES

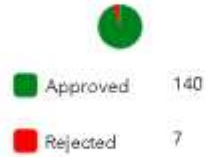


Cuyahoga Greenways Partners Facility Editor Dashboard
A Product of The Cuyahoga County Planning Commission



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Comments



UNDER REVIEW

Brooklyn Heights Park to Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail - Option B
 BH MP has this connecting to the towpath through independence & Valley View (not shown)
Paul, CCPC

Under Review

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No data

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Center to Willis Neighborhood Greenway
 Had a discussion with Jennifer Kuzma of Bedford. CSU capstone class recommended Neighborhood Greenway that cuts through the Hospital Site. Unsure which option they are going to pursue.
Paul, CCPC

Center To Willis Neighborhood Greenway
 Discussion with

Under Review

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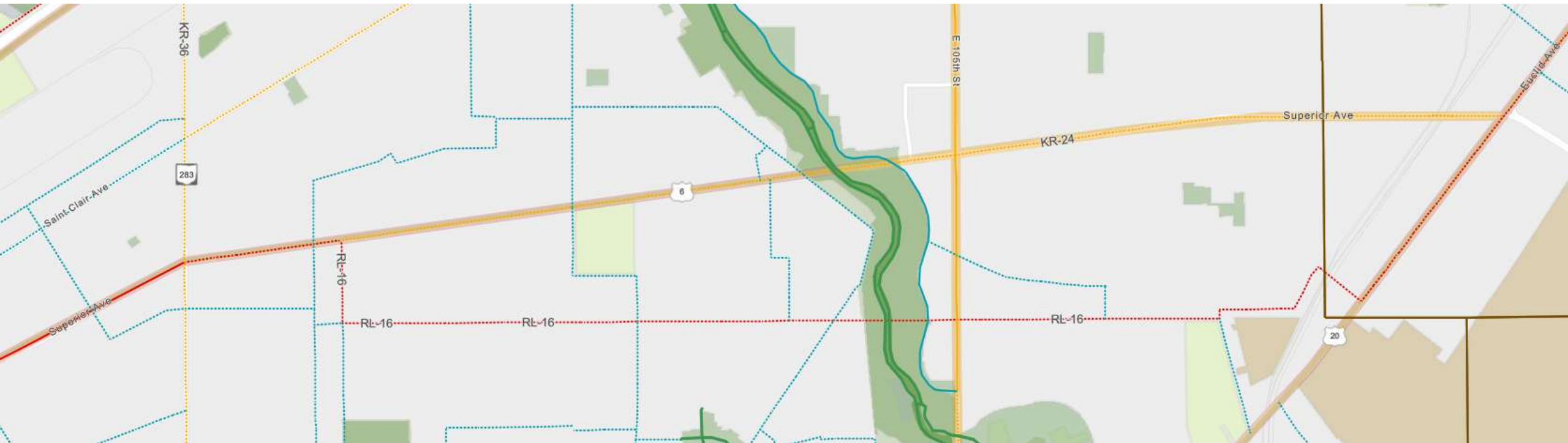
This is a complex area that was discussed previously, bike lanes/trail are not feasible here with very constrained ROW.
Sara Byrnes Maier, Cleveland Metroparks

Discuss - should this addition jog down to Wolf Rd instead of Lake Rd?
Sara Byrnes Maier, Cleveland Metroparks

Discuss - is the designation going to go to Bradley off of Crocker?
Sara Byrnes

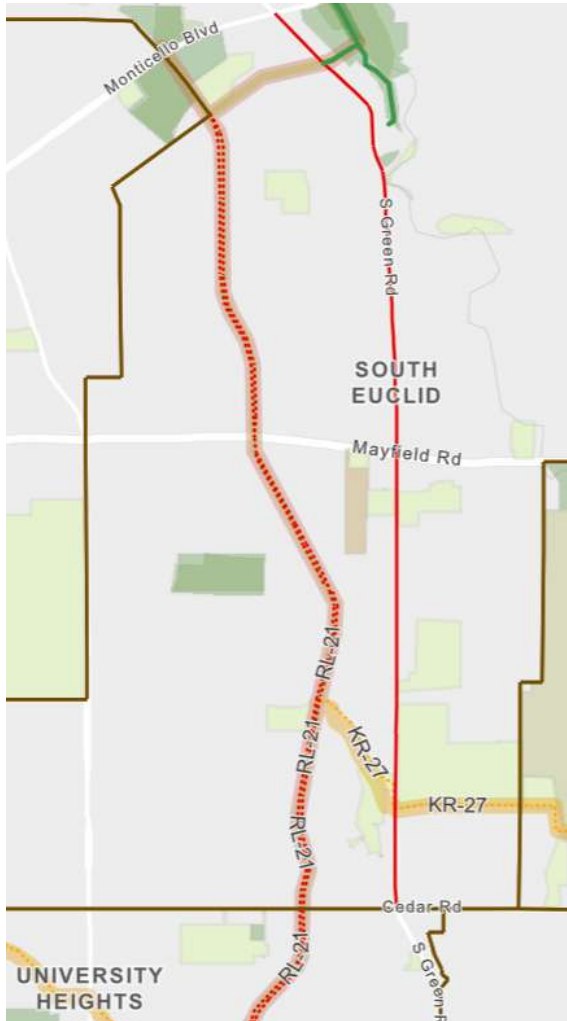
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RE-ROUTES, ALT ROUTES & NEW ROUTES



- 2019 route followed Superior Ave to Euclid Ave
- RL-16 re-routed to follow Wade Park Ave to align with Cleveland Moves
- New Key Routes: E 55th Street, St Clair Avenue

RE-ROUTES, ALT ROUTES & NEW ROUTES

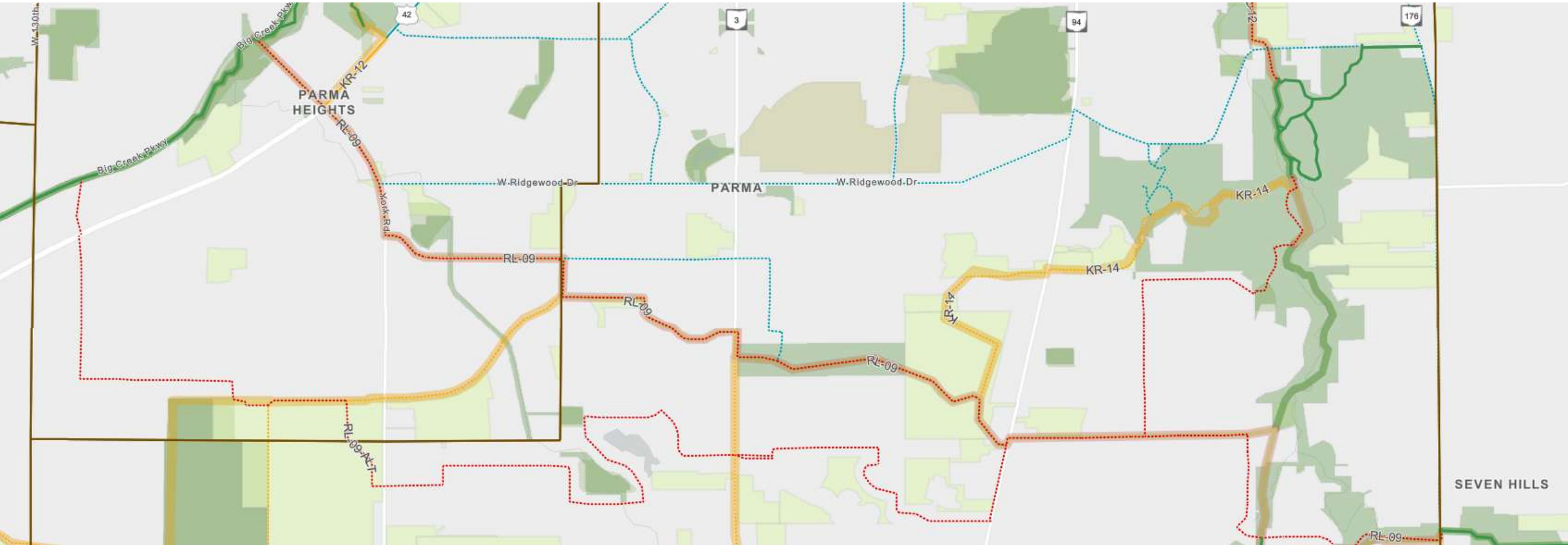


- 2019 route followed South Belvoir
- Alt Route follows South Green to align with bike lanes installed by South Euclid



- New Key Route added along Lee Rd through Shaker Heights & Cleveland
- Aligns with Shaker Heights' Lee Rd Action Plan & Cleveland Moves

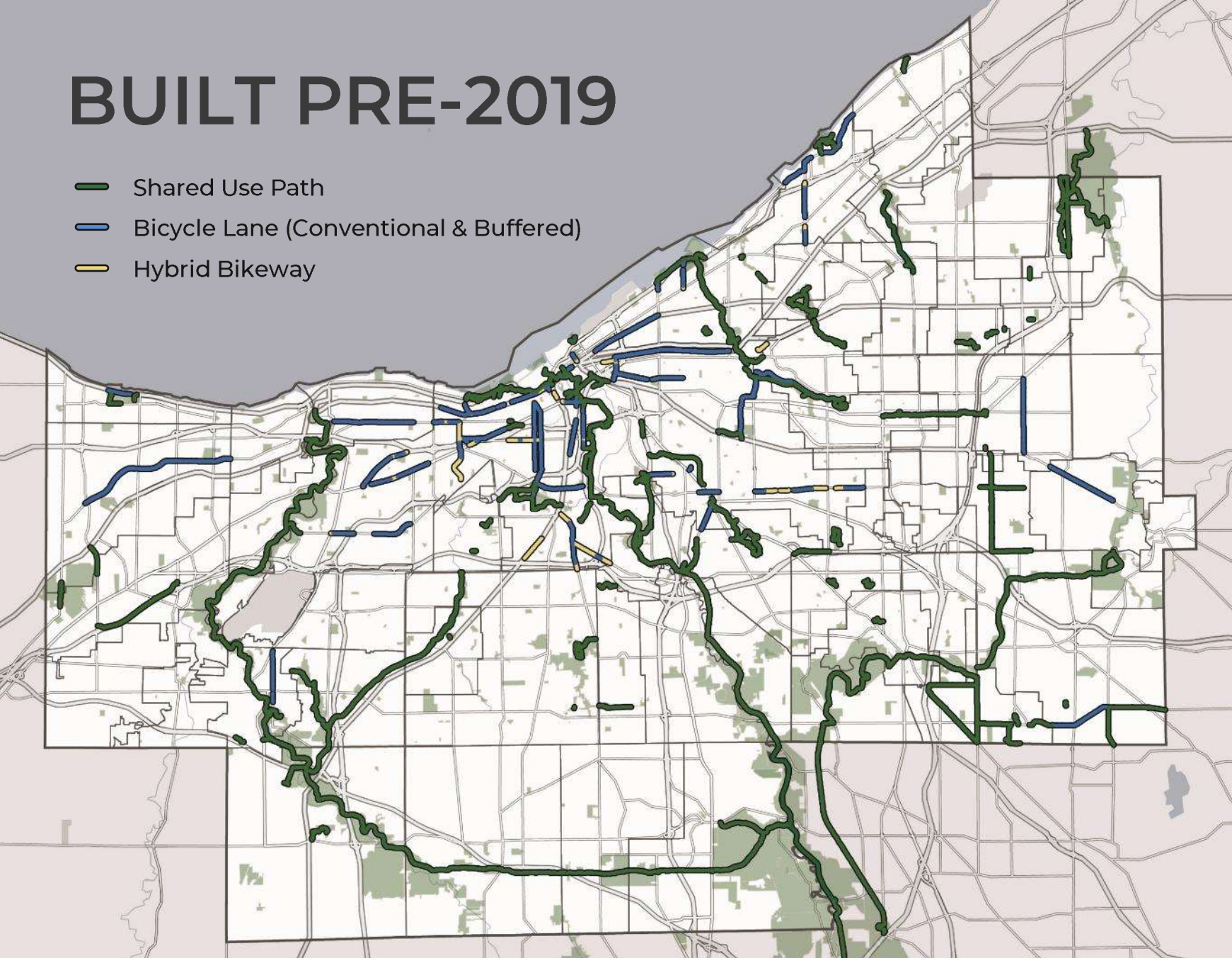
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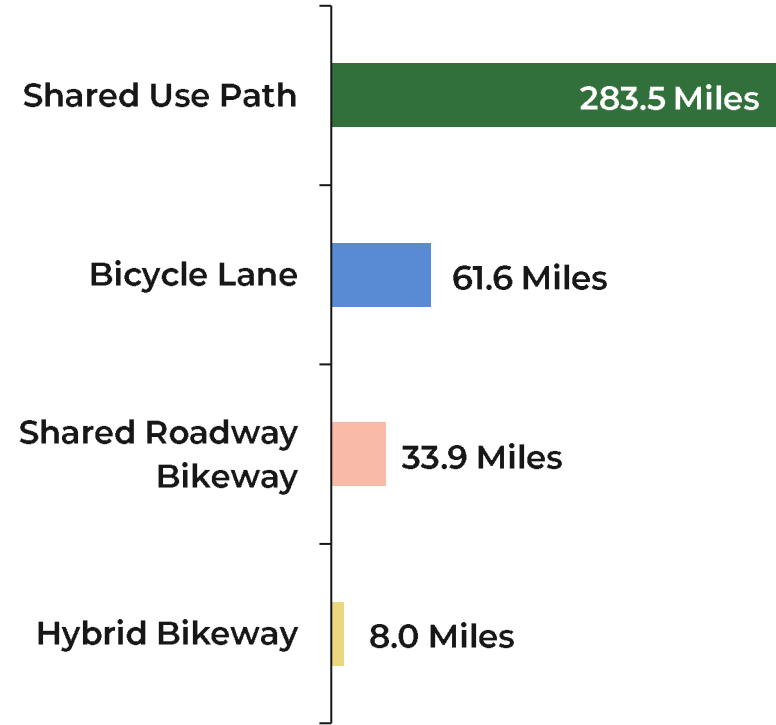
- RL-09 Alt: Creek to Creek Neighborhood Greenway Advanced by Bike Parma

BUILT PRE-2019

- Shared Use Path
- Bicycle Lane (Conventional & Buffered)
- Hybrid Bikeway



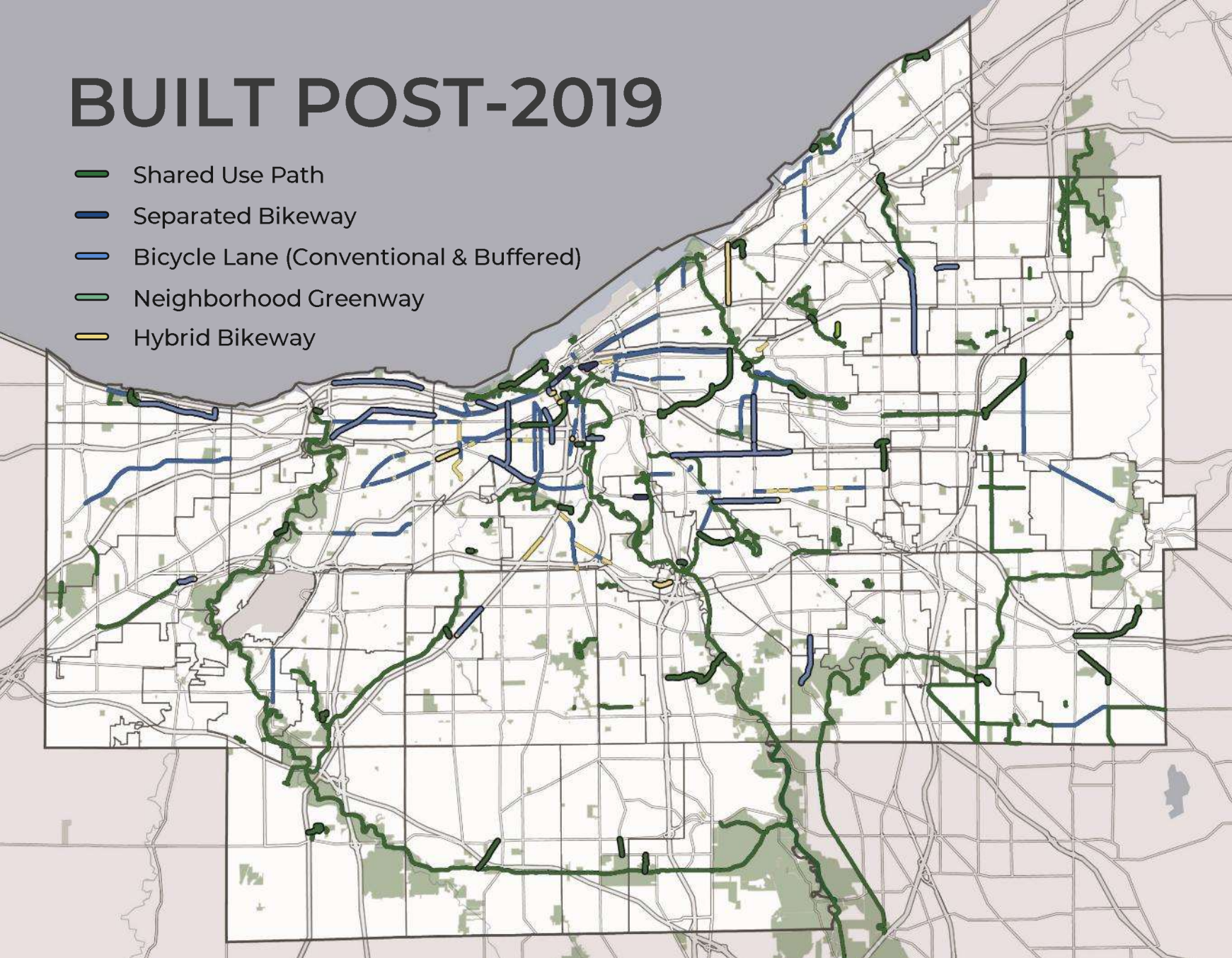
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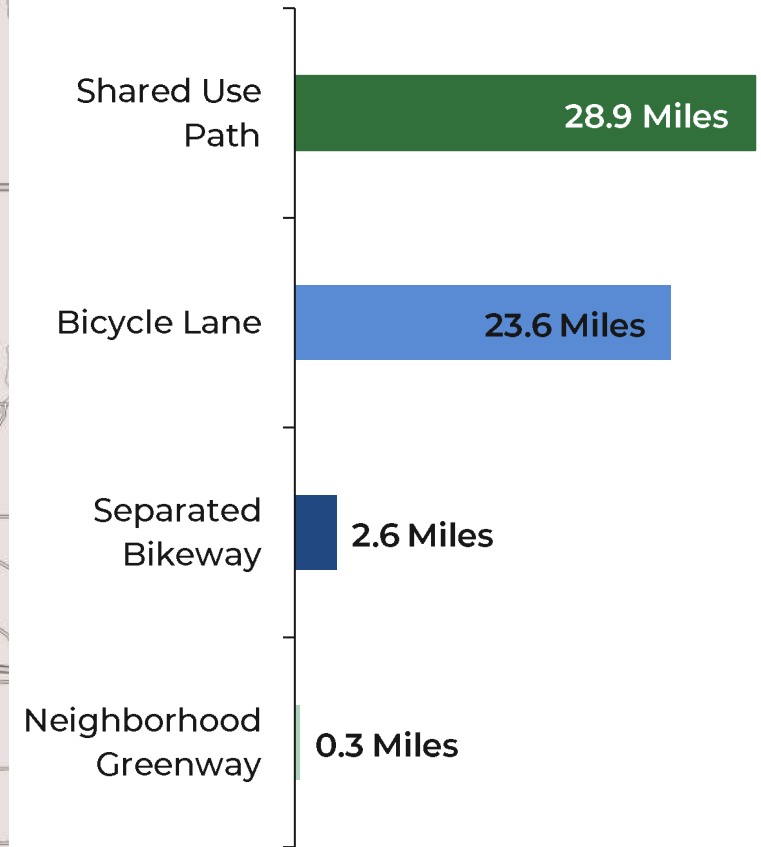
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BUILT POST-2019

- Shared Use Path
- Separated Bikeway
- Bicycle Lane (Conventional & Buffered)
- Neighborhood Greenway
- Hybrid Bikeway



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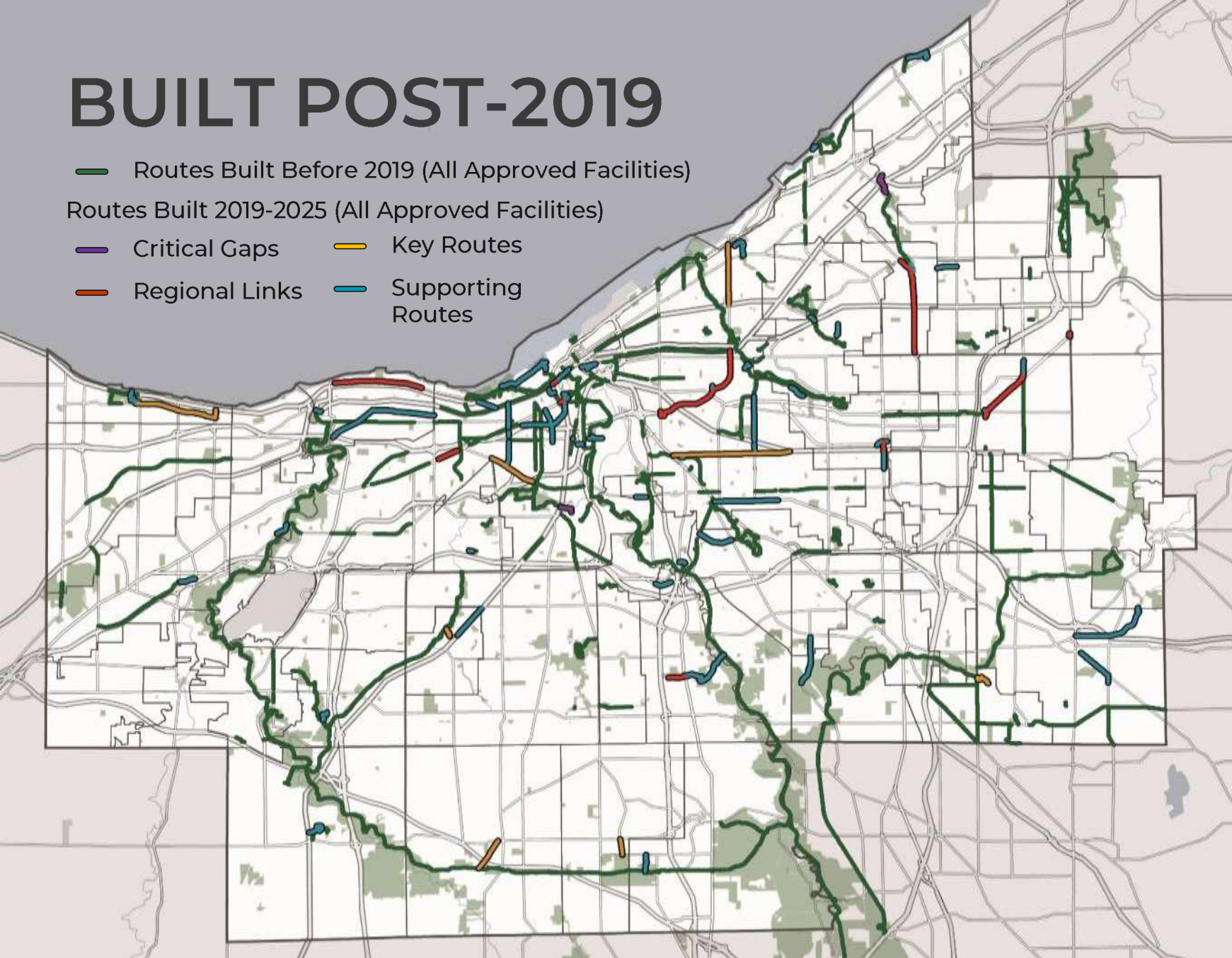
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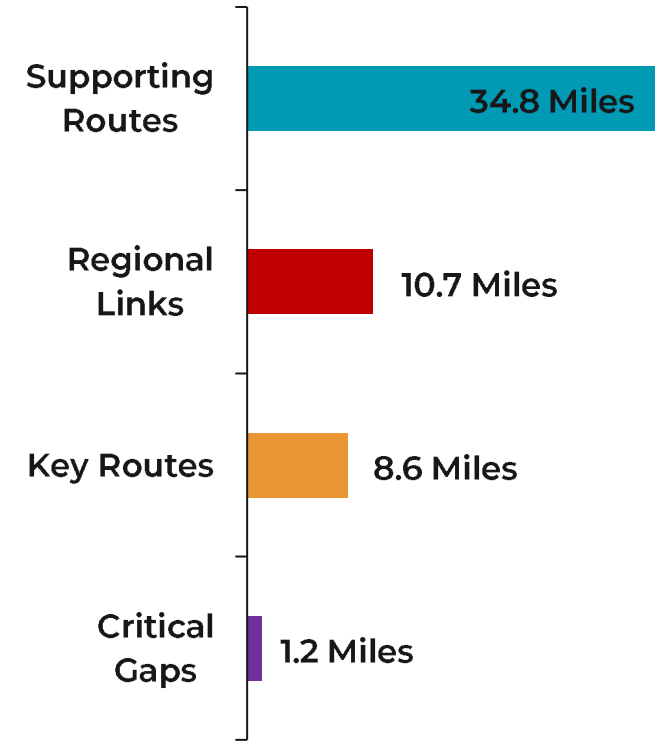
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- Critical Gaps
- Key Routes
- Regional Links
- Supporting Routes



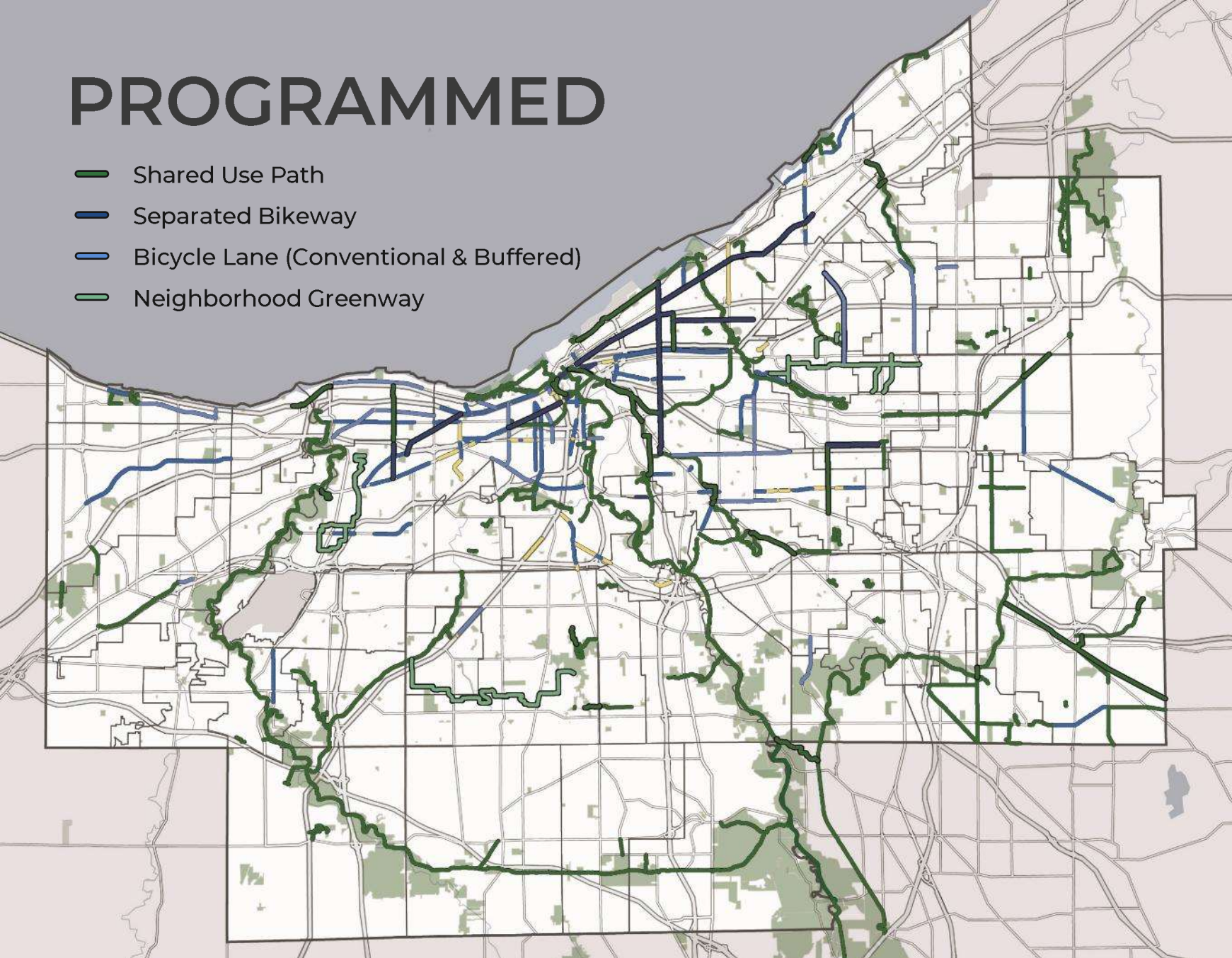
FACILITIES BUILT AFTER 2019 GREENWAYS PLAN BY CATEGORY (EXCLUDING SHARROWS)



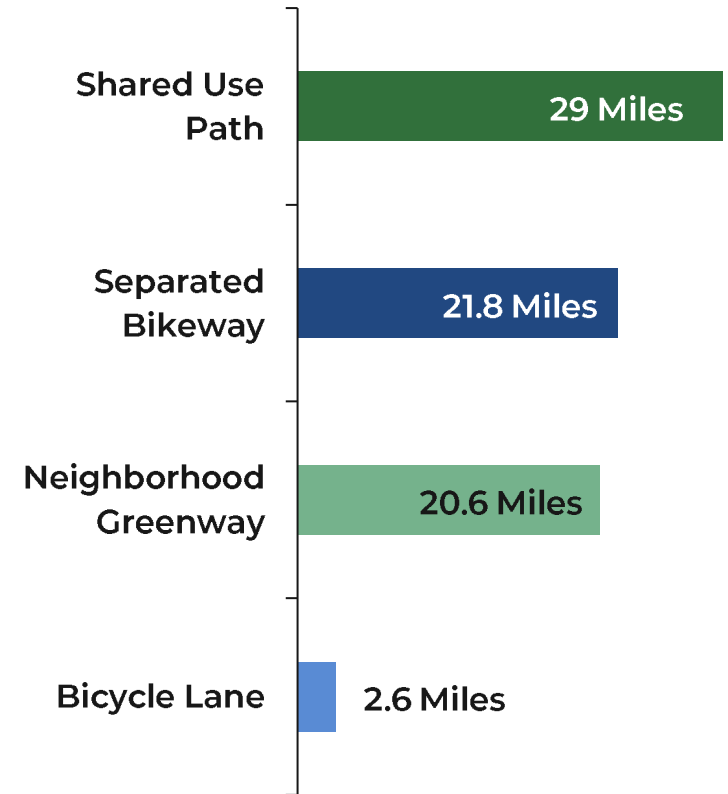
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- Shared Use Path
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- Neighborhood Greenway



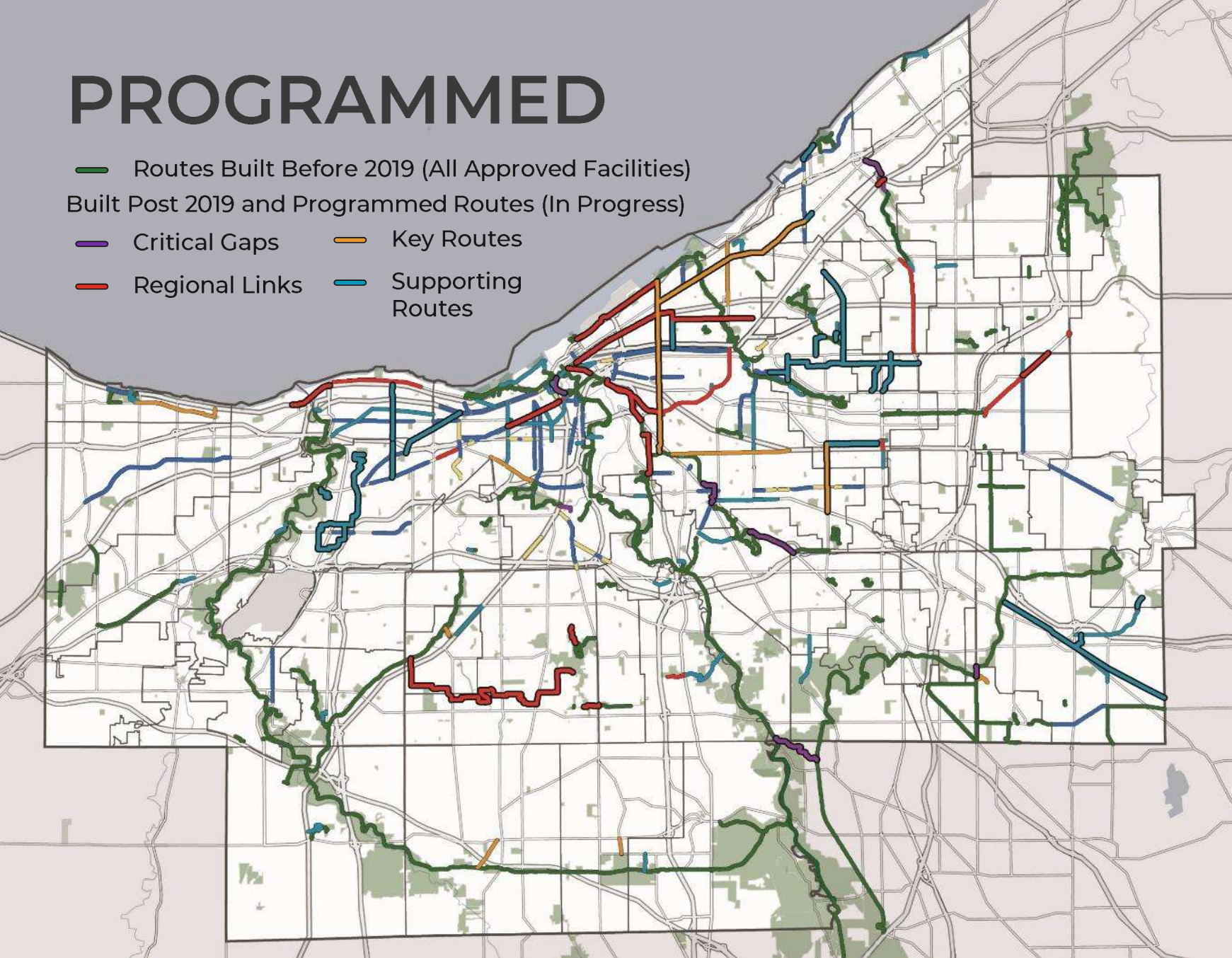
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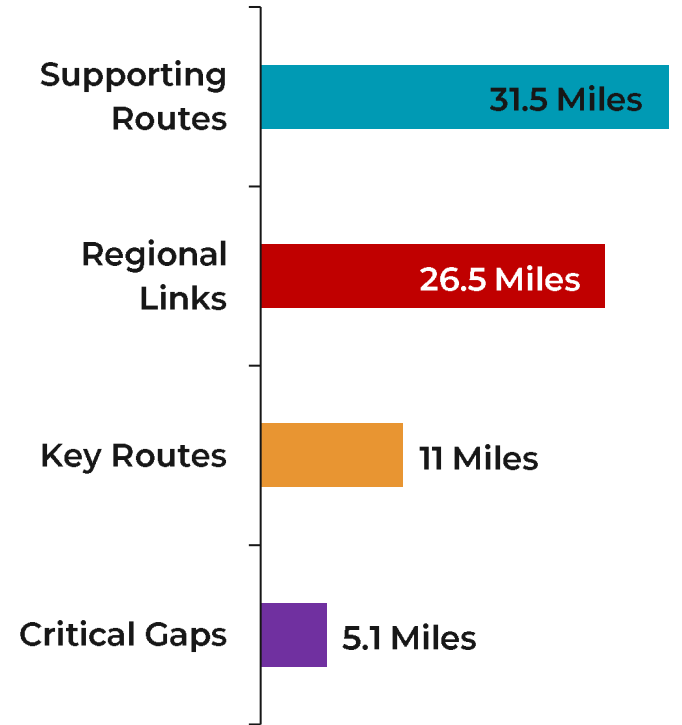
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- Built Post 2019 and Programmed Routes (In Progress)
- Critical Gaps
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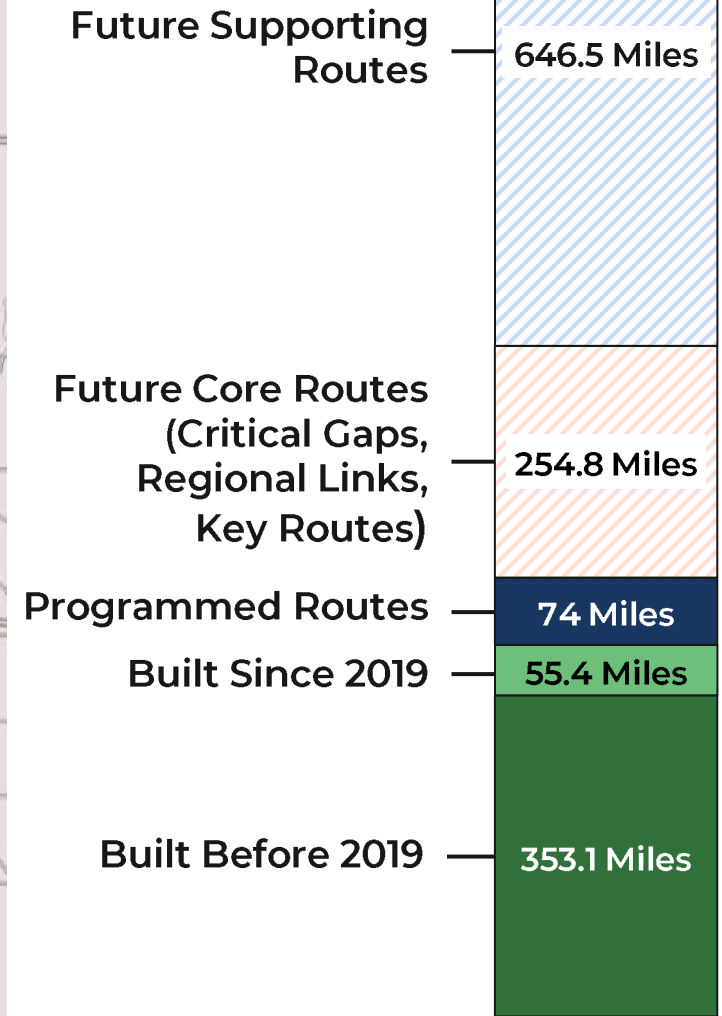
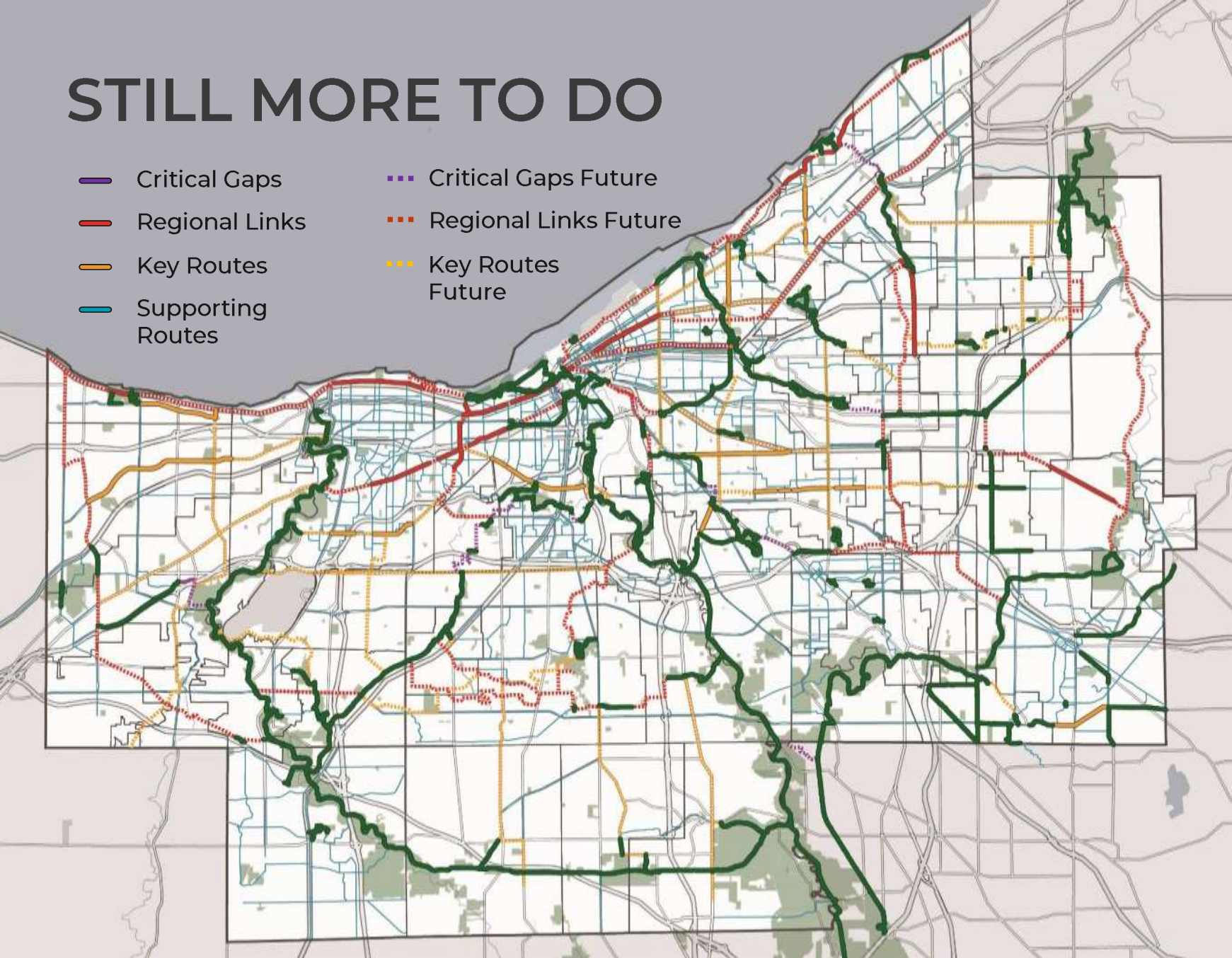
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STILL MORE TO DO

- Critical Gaps
- Regional Links
- Key Routes
- Supporting Routes
- Critical Gaps Future
- Regional Links Future
- Key Routes Future



ONGOING WORK | BIKE WITH A MAYOR & SS4A

- Since its inaugural event in 2023, there have been **32** BWAM events in **14** different communities that attracted **1,100** participants!
- Cuyahoga County Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Comprehensive Action Plan



A person with a backpack is riding a bicycle on a paved path that curves through a grassy area. In the background, a city skyline is visible under a clear sky. The entire image has a green tint.

DISCUSSION Q & A



THANK YOU



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