

## Benefits of Recreational Trails

Trails and greenways are often viewed narrowly in terms of their benefits. People tend to focus on the recreational or environmental aspects of trails and greenways, failing to see the big picture—the total package of benefits that a trail or greenway can provide to communities, including public health, economic and transportation benefits, and even the effect on community pride and identity.

When seen as a whole, the evidence about the far-reaching benefits of trails and greenways is compelling, especially given the minimal public investment involved compared to other undertakings with the same community goals.

Trails and greenways create healthy recreation and transportation opportunities by providing people of all ages with attractive, safe, accessible, and low-or no-cost places to cycle, walk, hike, jog, or skate.

Trails help people of all ages incorporate exercise into their daily routines by connecting them with places they want or need to go. Communities that encourage physical activity by using these linear corridors can see significant effects on public health and wellness.

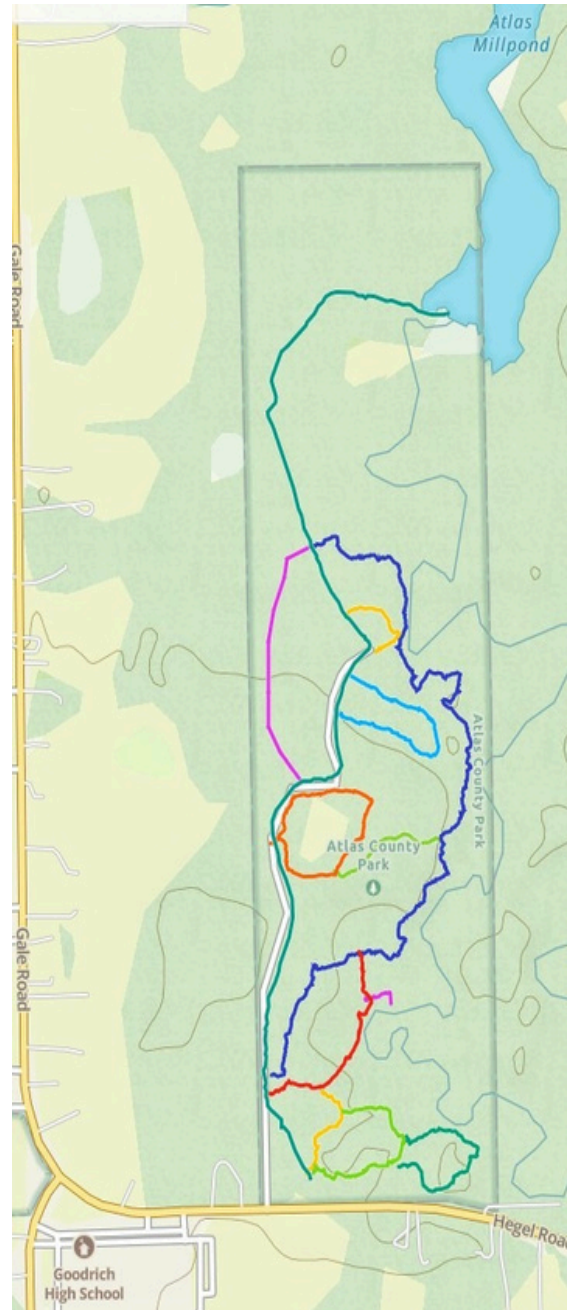
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## Hiking Trails at Atlas County Park



## Atlas Township Trails

The Walk, Bike, Run Atlas Township Committee, in collaboration with the Atlas Township Board, Genesee County Parks, and the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission, has planned and constructed trails for the citizens of Atlas Township and the Village of Goodrich. This trail system is connected in part with the Michigan Iron Belle Trail. The former Recreational Path Millage has contributed to the funding for engineering and construction of these trails. Grant money has been obtained through the DNR Trust Fund and other sources.

The community's continued support for this initiative through a millage renewal is greatly appreciated.

## Support

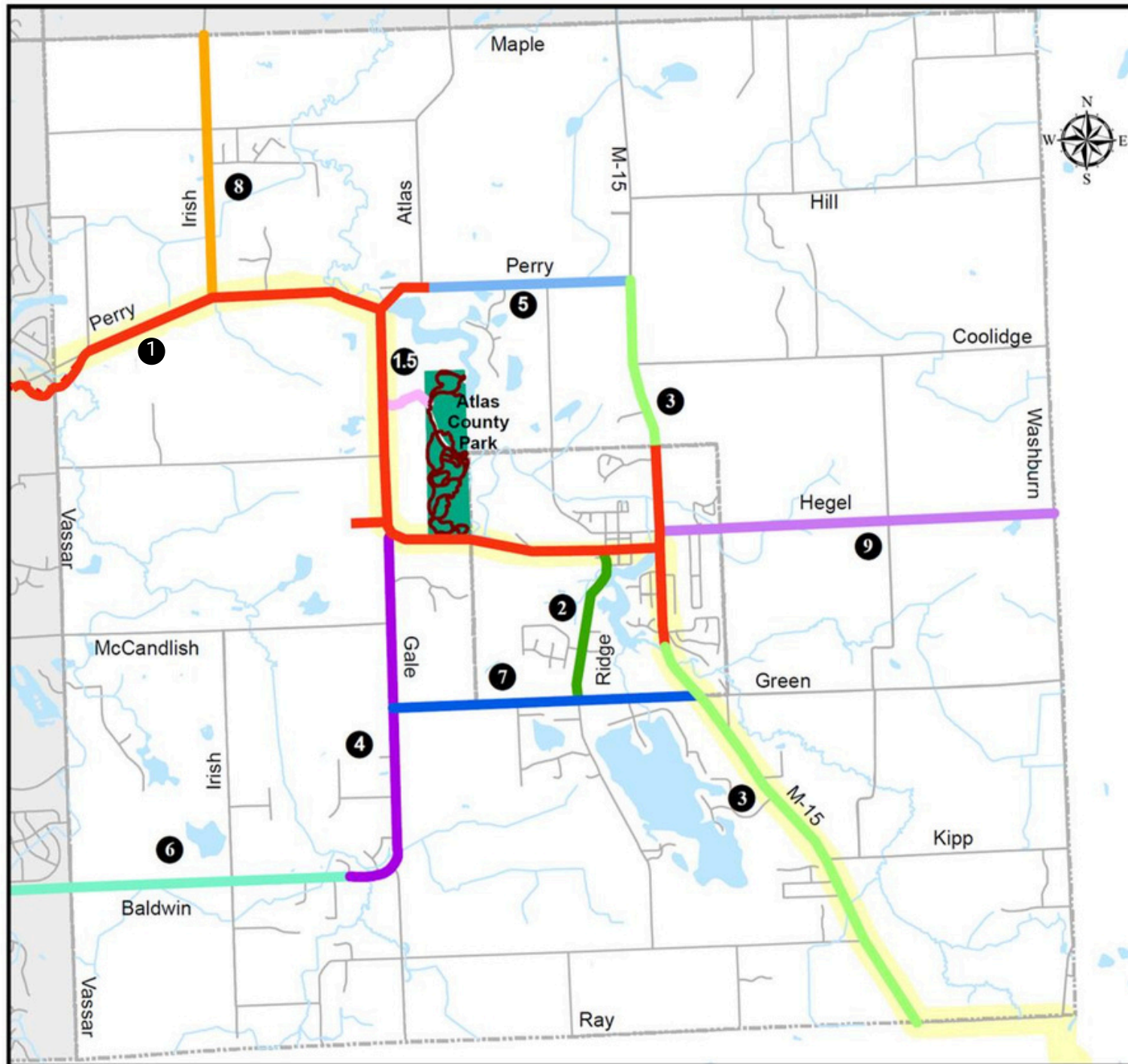
### WBR Atlas Township

The WBR Committee is a volunteer group of citizens to promote the creation of recreational trails. Feel free to attend a meeting at:

**Atlas Township Hall  
7386 S. Gale Rd.  
Grand Blanc, MI 48439**

Meetings are open to the public and are held at 6:00 pm on the first Tuesday of every other month, starting January each year.

# Atlas Township Trail Priorities



- 1** Perry Rd: Atlas to Grand Blanc (township boundary) completed OCT. 2026.
- 1.5** Gale Rd to Atlas County Park
- 2** Ridge Rd: Hegel Rd to Green Rd (preliminary sidewalk engineering complete)
- 3** M-15: Perry Rd to William F. Hufstader and Rhodes Rd to Ray Rd (Preliminary Engineering Completed)
- 4** Gale Rd: Hegel Rd to Brookway Ct
- 5** Perry Rd: M-15 to Atlas (Preliminary Engineering Completed)
- 6** Baldwin Rd: Brookway Ct to Saginaw Rd
- 7** Green Rd: Gale Rd to M-15 (sidewalk segment)
- 8** Irish Rd: Maple Ave to Perry Rd
- 9** Hegel Rd: Washburn Rd to M-15

- Existing Trails and Sidewalks
- Atlas County Park and Park Trails
- Iron Belle Trail

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