

Town of Elkton Bicycle Plan



Virtual Public Workshop

Public Comment Period: June 9 – July 7

Objectives of the Workshop:

- Inform residents and stakeholders of the bicycle plan
 - Solicit input on the plan's development

Contents

- Background
- Vision & Goals
- Proposed Network
 - Bike Parking
 - Next Steps

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Envision a Bicycle Friendly Elkton

With enhanced travel options, bicycle-friendly streets, secure parking, route signage, access to destinations, enforcement, safety promotion, and much more!



What cycling challenges do you experience?
How do you envision Elkton's cycling environment?

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Opportunities in Elkton

- Elkton has a compact mix of housing, businesses, and institutions easily accessible by bicycle.
- Safe bicycle options would create a more balanced multimodal transportation network for residents.
- Enhancing the bicycle network would make Elkton a more desirable place to live, work, and play.
- The *Plan* would support economic development, achieve state goals for smart growth, and link with the Elkton Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Plan.

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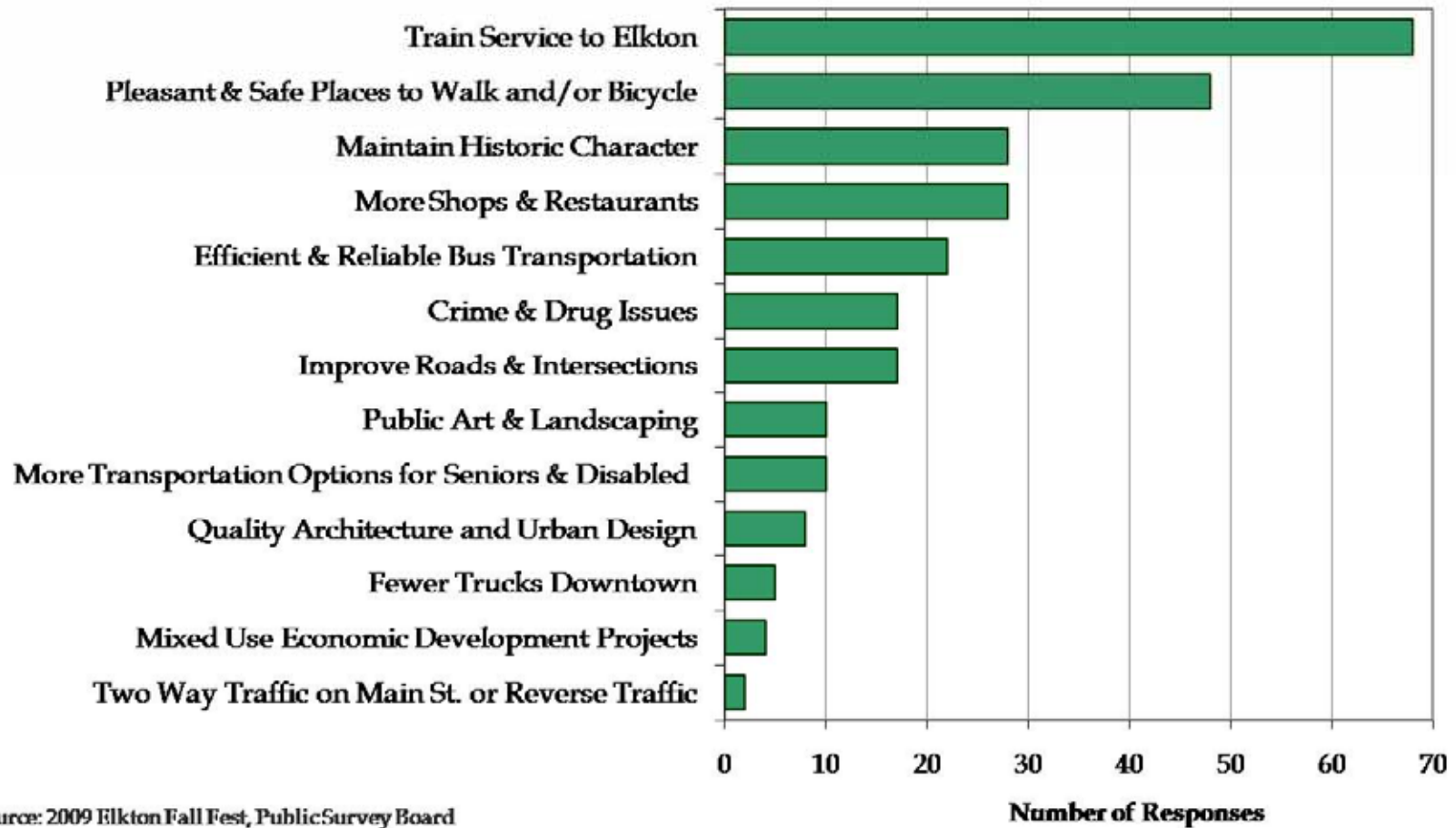
What Elkton Residents Want

- A transportation survey identified improvements that Town residents would like
- The results in *Figure 1* shows the top priorities
 - # 1- Train service to Elkton
 - # 2 - **Safe and pleasant places to walk and bicycle**
- These results helped shape the bicycle plan's vision

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Figure 1: Elkton Transportation Planning Survey



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Draft Vision Statement

To develop a bicycle plan and map that will promote a safe and enjoyable bicycle route network that will link to and coordinate with other modes of transportation.



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Draft Goals

- Design a coordinated network
- Provide access to the network
- Provide bicycle parking
- Promote safety and education
- Create bicycle policies
- Develop a phased implementation plan
- Involve the community

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Proposed Bicycle Network

Network Development Process

- Input on desired bike routes was received from the Advisory Committee
 - These routes included corridors cyclists are already using and corridors cyclists would like to use
- Desired bike routes were evaluated then alternative bike routes were selected, shown on *Map 1*
- Alternative bike routes were overlaid with planned routes, shown on *Map 2*

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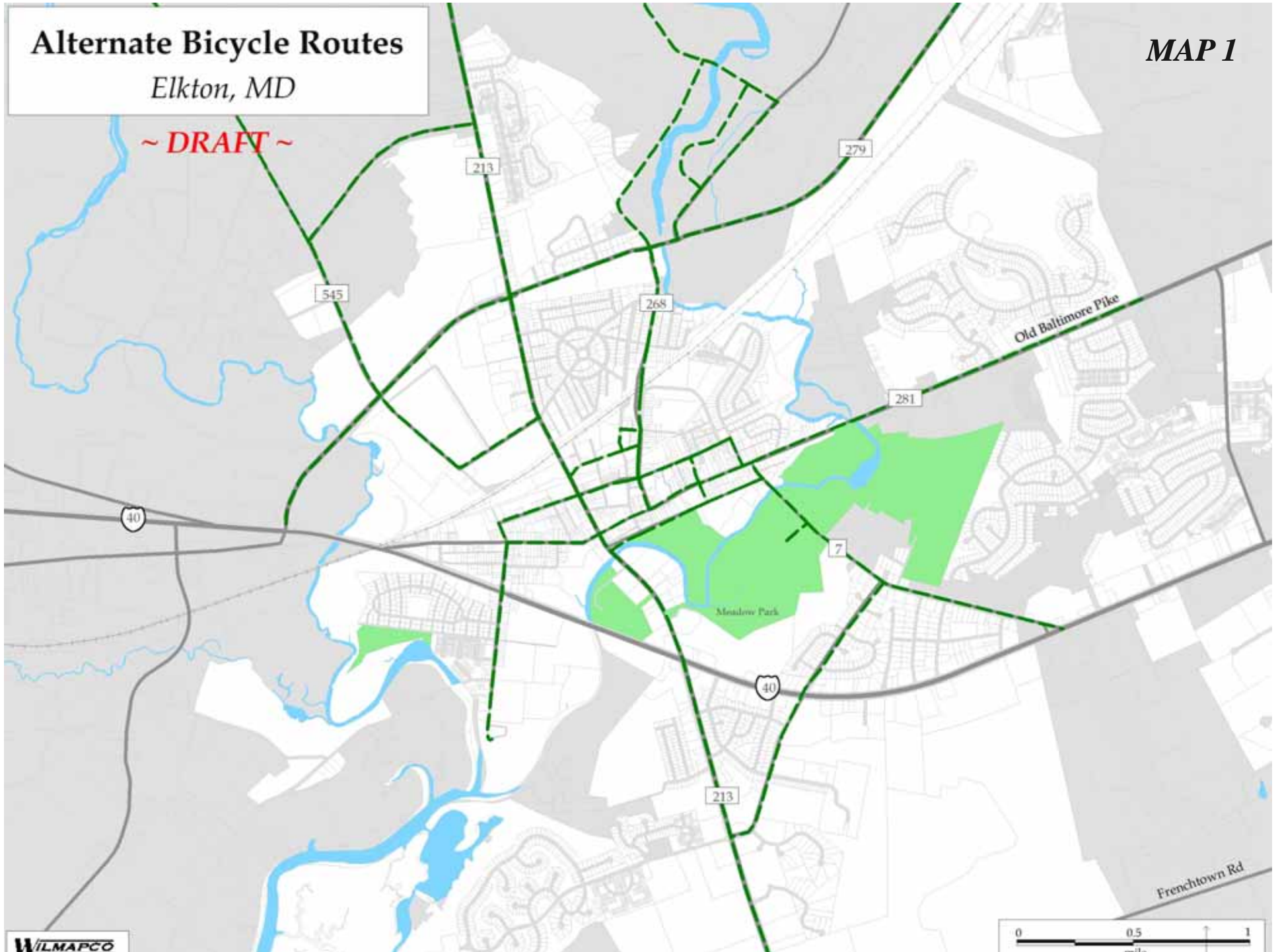
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Alternate Bicycle Routes

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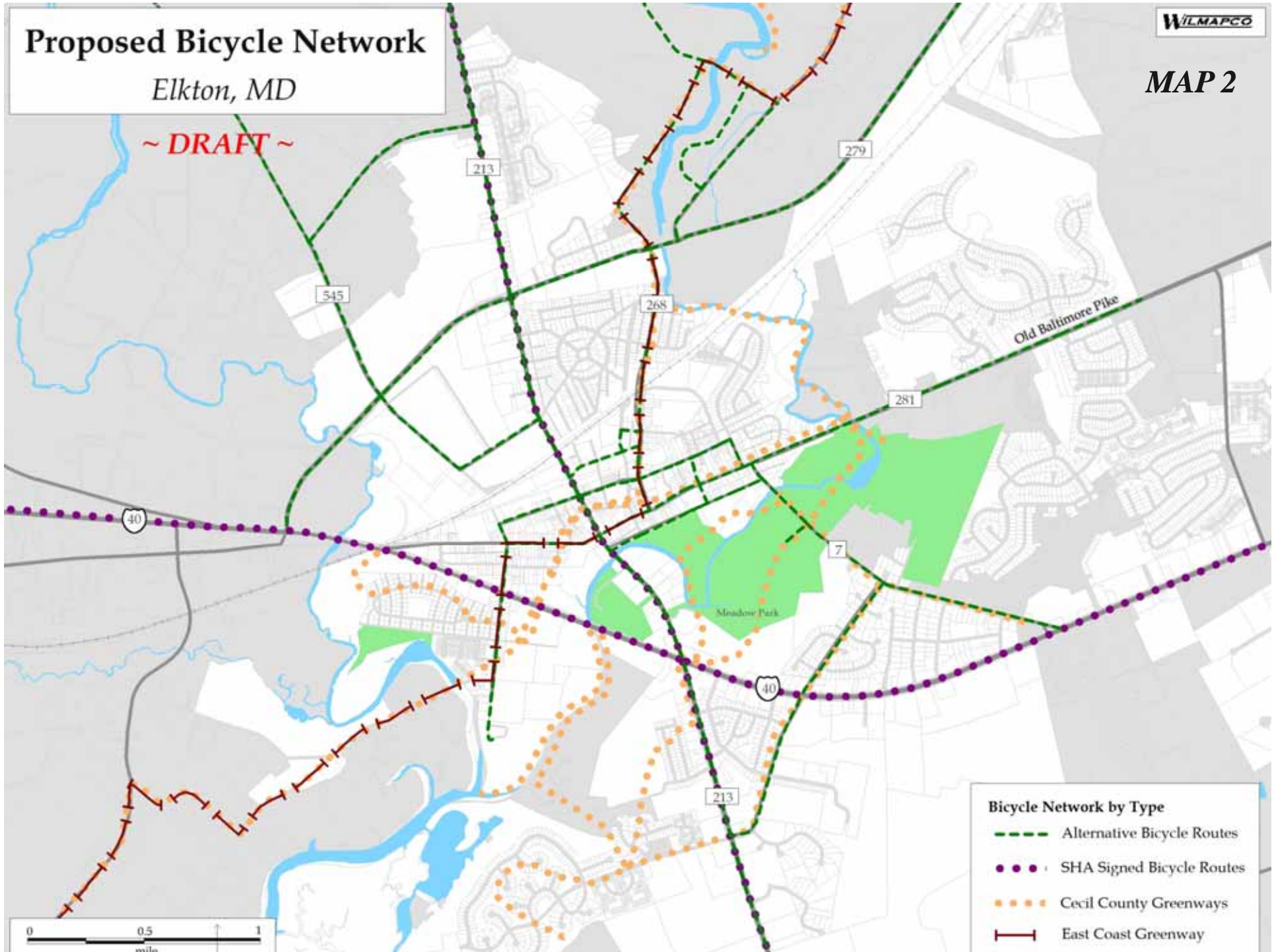
MAP 1



Proposed Bicycle Network

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Bicycle Network by Type

- Alternative Bicycle Routes
- SHA Signed Bicycle Routes
- Cecil County Greenways
- East Coast Greenway

Bicycle Parking

- For adequate parking the *Plan* will consider:
 - Trip purpose/ destination (short vs. long-term)
 - Security (theft deterrents)
 - Convenience/ visibility
 - Links to transit
 - Rack type (artistic design encouraged)
 - Signage

Bicycle Parking

- Shown on *Map 3*, proposed sites for new or upgraded parking include schools, parks, commercial and business corridors, the library, the hospital, and historic sites
- What other sites would you like more bike parking?

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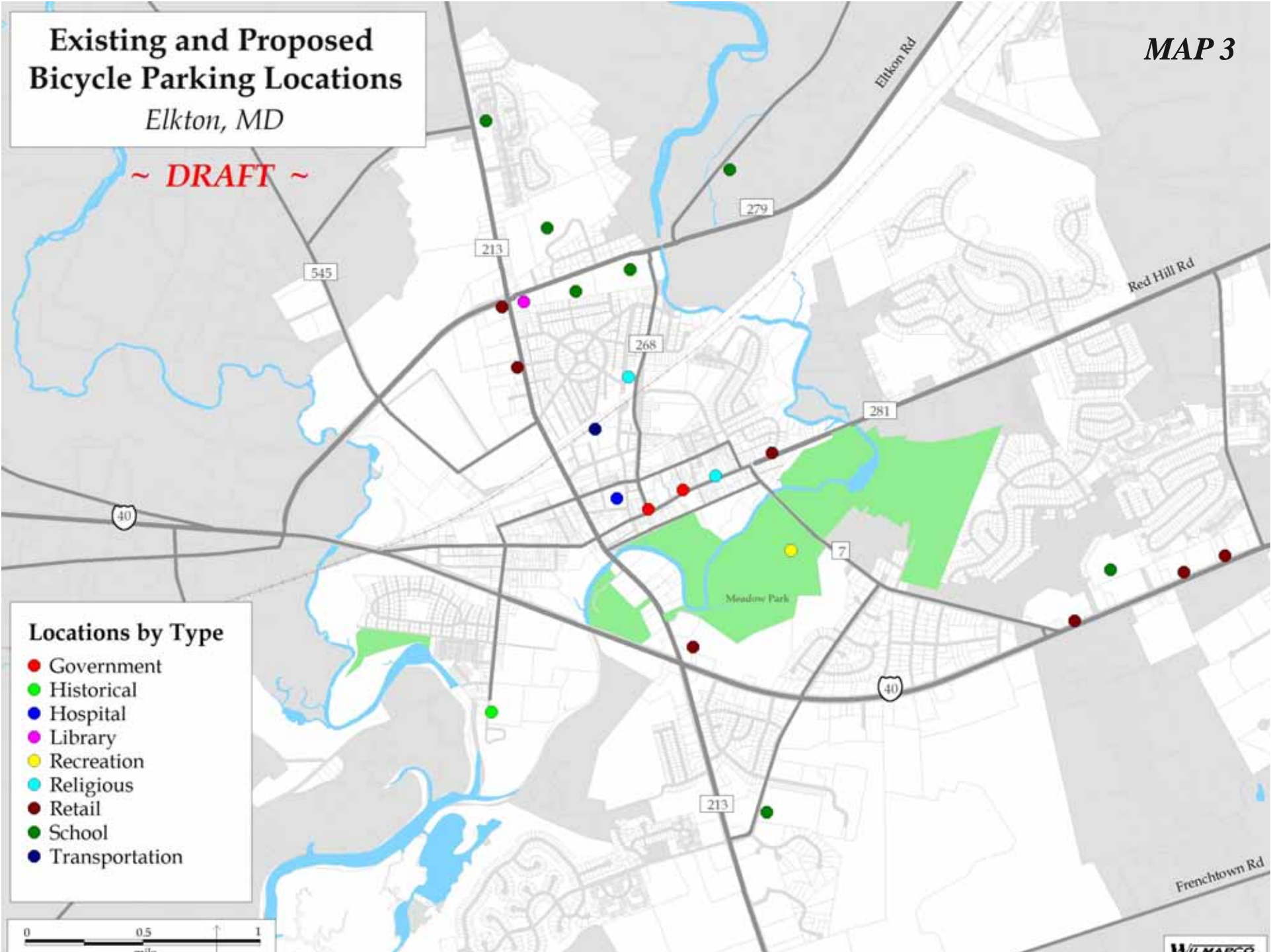
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Existing and Proposed Bicycle Parking Locations

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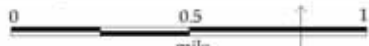
MAP 3

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Locations by Type

- Government
- Historical
- Hospital
- Library
- Recreation
- Religious
- Retail
- School
- Transportation



Next Steps

- Identify additional system improvements (including strategies for enforcement, safety and education, etc.)
- Continue public outreach efforts to solicit comments
- Incorporate public input into recommendations
- Make formal presentations to Town officials & WILMAPCO committees
- Prepare a draft document for review

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Thanks for Participating

Visit the plan's webpage for updates
and to submit your comments

www.wilmapco.org/BikeElkton

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