# Public Meeting No.2 Comments February 19, 2020

## Wetland A Concepts

## Concept A

- 1. Too expensive to do a mile boardwalk
- 2. We really like the Wetland A trail loop
- 3. At grade crossing at Gramsie road would need to be well marked/safe
- 4. Would a signal help like the one on Victoria street @Central Park?
- 5. This whole length is unnecessary. Boardwalk the lowest areas and maintain the paved trail
- 6. If all options involve new boardwalks it makes sense to do significant boardwalks in option A
- 7. Increase cross country ski trails
- 8. Yes to trail segment alternative to Snail Blvd tunnel.
- 9. Pick up dog poo
- 10. Dennison street homeowner has privacy concerns
- 11. ???U of M cover it up see about project here (Grass lake overflow to Wetland A Area)????
- 12. Create a temporary fix

## Concept B

- 1. Like the loop near Snail lake blvd created with the additional trail segment alternative
- 2. Can trails be plowed in the winter?
- 3. Maintain the trail all along the east side
- 4. Short boardwalks for quicker fix would be good.
- 5. Like this short loop.
- 6. Yes, to the boardwalk connection at Dennison or put in old original location
- 7. Remove dangerous dead trees

## Concept C

- 1. Maintain pavement where natural surface conversion is shown
- 2. Like additional access at Dennison street
- 3. Only boardwalk lowest areas
- 4. Purchase higher ground via easements
- 5. Don't add connection across wetland A at Hanska Court
- 6. Like the at grade crossing segment as an alternative to the Gramsie rd tunnel
- 7. Maintain crossing over or under Snail lake Blvd
- 8. Like the alternative trail segment as an alternative to snail blvd tunnel
- 9. Yes cross to peninsula with boardwalk

## Snail Lake Picnic Area

- 1. Plow trails by the beach
- 2. Provide shoreline access for boats at Snail lake
- 3. Natural surface trail north of park floods
- 4. I like the picnic facility for option A. could we put out a porta potty for spring summer, fall season or is these too much vandalism? I like to parking and view of the lake
- 5. Don't really want any picnicking surrounded by parking like option B.
- Busy every summer weekend parking lot full 2<sup>nd</sup> pavilion up here not a great option like option B

- 7. Update the playground
- 8. Add crosswalks and crossings along Snail Lake Blvd
- 9. Put pavilion up on pilons
- 10. Option B too close not discrete
- 11. I like the idea of having the pavilion on the lower portion of the park near the lake and the boat launch
- 12. Sand bag existing shelter to create a wall
- 13. Plow the trail loop
- 14. Option A likes the picnic tables
- 15. Not enough bathrooms w/option A if new and main pavilion are both being used at the same time
- 16. Option A is the best solution to parking and picnic use
- 17. Bathrooms are needed for option A
- 18. What about shelter in small open area with o nth tree grove?
- 19. Exiting picnic tables near option A are never used much
- 20. Option A plus a volleyball court
- 21. Option A views not really of the lake
- 22. Stop the floating island (grass0 from floating east or over to the beach area. If this doesn't happen, the beach area will continue to get full or aggressive. "I have heard that other communities have put rods into the grass areas to keep them in place. Is this feasible?
- 23. Glad to hear the beach is being work on!
- 24. I attended the February Snail Lake Master Plan meeting. At that time I suggested that the proposal to move the small flooded lakeside shelter to a spot near the pavilion would be appropriate, rather than the spot to the west of the upper parking lot. I have since changed my mind and think that the current unused 'Dead Zone' picnic area west of the upper parking lot would be better if it is modified with plantings and perhaps a volleyball or croquet or ? court to accompany the shelter. My original proposal is too close to the pavilion and the noises coming from the shelter & pavilion would be distraction to both.

#### Grass Lake Area

- 1. Plant lots of trees along I-694
- 2. Would people use a path 30' from 694?
- 3. Why not right next to 694?
- 4. Wont be used. Too close to hwy; see maple grove!
- 5. East side is a critical commuter route
- 6. Nice idea! Create a loop around the lake. But seems expensive
- 7. Critical repair needed at washout (Grass lake new overflow)
- 8. Yes to reestablish route at Gramsie Rd tunnel
- 9. With the future trail on the east side already changing, it may make sense for the loop around the lake to be 100% paved boardwalk.
- 10. (boardwalk along 694 low priority too noisy) yes, like the boardwalks to complete the loop around the lake
- 11. Add benches back along trail
- 12. Super important trail corridor (on the east side)
- 13. I do like the ideas of a circle-like loop, and keep the trees.

#### **General Comments**

- 1. Different format-more open talk time for participants.
- 2. I do wish it would be possible to do a temporary or permanent boardwalk over the currently flooded areas. I have a sense that this could be a long-term solution.
- 3. I'm concerned the Concept A Boardwalk will be difficult to maintain.
- 4. We need paved loops, so we can bike around.
- 5. Look for short term solutions to flooded trails in the wetland A area
- 6. Where are the sightings of crane (during the summer) or nesting eagles? Please don't disturb those areas too much or keep trails further away. Loop around them? Work around them.