2011 Bikeway, Walkway, Blueway Plan (Draft)

Elijah Sharp from the NRVPDC will be at the 18 Oct 2011 meeting to brief Council and ask for an endorsement for the 2011 Bikeway, Walkway, Blueway Plan.

The PDC has created a web page for the Draft 2011 Bikeway, Walkway, Blueway Plan. If you have a moment, I encourage you to visit the site located here: http://www.nrvpdc.org/Transportation/bwwwbw.html.

Things to come include: local endorsements, and helpful resources for planning and design. This is a work-in-progress, so any feedback that you have will be very valuable to help us make improvements.

The important thing to remember is that **the plan is still under review by local governments**. Because of this, the Hierarchical priorities may change based on additional review. Also, the Regional section is not complete. We are asking for input on how to define specific regional projects or criteria that could be used to support regional efforts. Some examples of the ideas shared so far are listed below.

In July, the Bikeway/Walkway Committee met to discuss regional priorities (listed below). Are there other ideas that you think would be valuable to add? Ideas could include specific projects or simply general criteria that could be used to support local projects from a regional perspective.

2011 Regional Hierarchical Priorities – Bikeway/Walkway Committee, July 19, 2011

- New River Trail Extension
- Connecting Communities to Existing Regional Assets (Listed on pages 3-5 of the draft plan)
- Projects that would utilize environmental friendly practices
    - Utilizing local resources
- Projects that would connect multiple communities/regions
- Projects that tie into public transportation
- Projects that provide connections to other modes of transportation
- Developing a Blueway System
    - Work with VDOT to provide access near bridges
- Developing attractive signage