

SAFE ACCESS TO PARKS

Preliminary Fix Ideas for Consideration: (This Sheet Only)

- (A) Complete the 2-mile gap.
Improve Trail Crossing.
A near-term fix could include:
 - 10+ foot sidewalks connecting the trail to the intersection of Gunn Highway.
 - Leading pedestrian interval, and decrease the cycle length, especially on weekends to reduce delay for people crossing street.
- (B) Longer term improvements, consistent with the vision of the Citrus Park Village Plan, could result in modifications to Ehrlich Road that would allow for lower speed limit and enhanced facilities for people walking and biking, including the construction of a raised intersection.
- (C) Convert stop sign for trail users to yield sign, install advance stop bar on Edgemere Road, and relocate stop sign to before crosswalk.
- (D) Install a stop bar and stop sign before trail crossing.
- (E) Install a stop sign for people exiting the shopping plaza.
- (F) Install a rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB). 
- (G) Conduct a speed management audit of Linebaugh Avenue to identify improvements to better manage travel speeds and improve the quality of the bicycle facility, like narrowing travel lanes and providing a buffered bike lane. Evaluate providing marked and controlled crossings at more regular intervals along the corridor.
- (H) Evaluate potential to provide a buffered bicycle lane by reducing the width of vehicle travel lanes.
- (I) Adjust traffic signal timing to reduce delay for people crossing street.
- (J) Implement the improvements identified in the Sheldon Road Corridor Plan (planhillsborough.org/vzcorridors)
- (K) Widen portion of the trail to 12-foot minimum, ideally 15-feet (this portion of trail is currently 8-feet).
- (L) Improve maintenance of the Ehrlich Trailhead to improve visibility of parking area from trail and surrounding bushiness.
- (M) Consider widening bridge to reduce conflicts.
- (N) Add way-finding signage and trail enhancements to connect UTBT to the Dog Park, Park and Ride Lot, and Bus Transfer on the other side of the river.

See Lower Segment Board for Additional Fix Ideas

Trail Wide Considerations:

- Identify additional neighborhood connections that could be provided to the trail.
- Develop and implement a maintenance program to periodically refresh pavement markings, replace faded signs, address root intrusion that creates tripping hazards, and remove debris.
- Develop new county standards to convert stop signs for trail users to yield signs with enhancements to signing and striping on the roadway.
- Evaluate appropriateness of bicycle facilities on roadways connecting to the trail as traffic volumes and vehicle speeds may require separated paths or buffered bike lanes.
- Evaluate cycle lengths and overall signal phasing to decrease delay for people walking and bicycling. Rectify accessibility deficiencies at signalized intersections related to push button placement and accessible paths of travel.
- Evaluate Street lighting at crossing locations and conflict points.
- Evaluate appropriateness of posted speed limits along major corridors connecting to the trail, including Ehrlich Road, Citrus Park Drive, Gunn Highway, Gardner Road, Wilsky Boulevard, Linebaugh Avenue, Sheldon Road, Waters Avenue and Montague Street.
- Add and enforce a 15 mile per hour speed limit on trail.

NOTE: ALL PROPOSED CONSIDERATIONS WILL REQUIRE EXTENSIVE DATA COLLECTION, EVALUATION AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

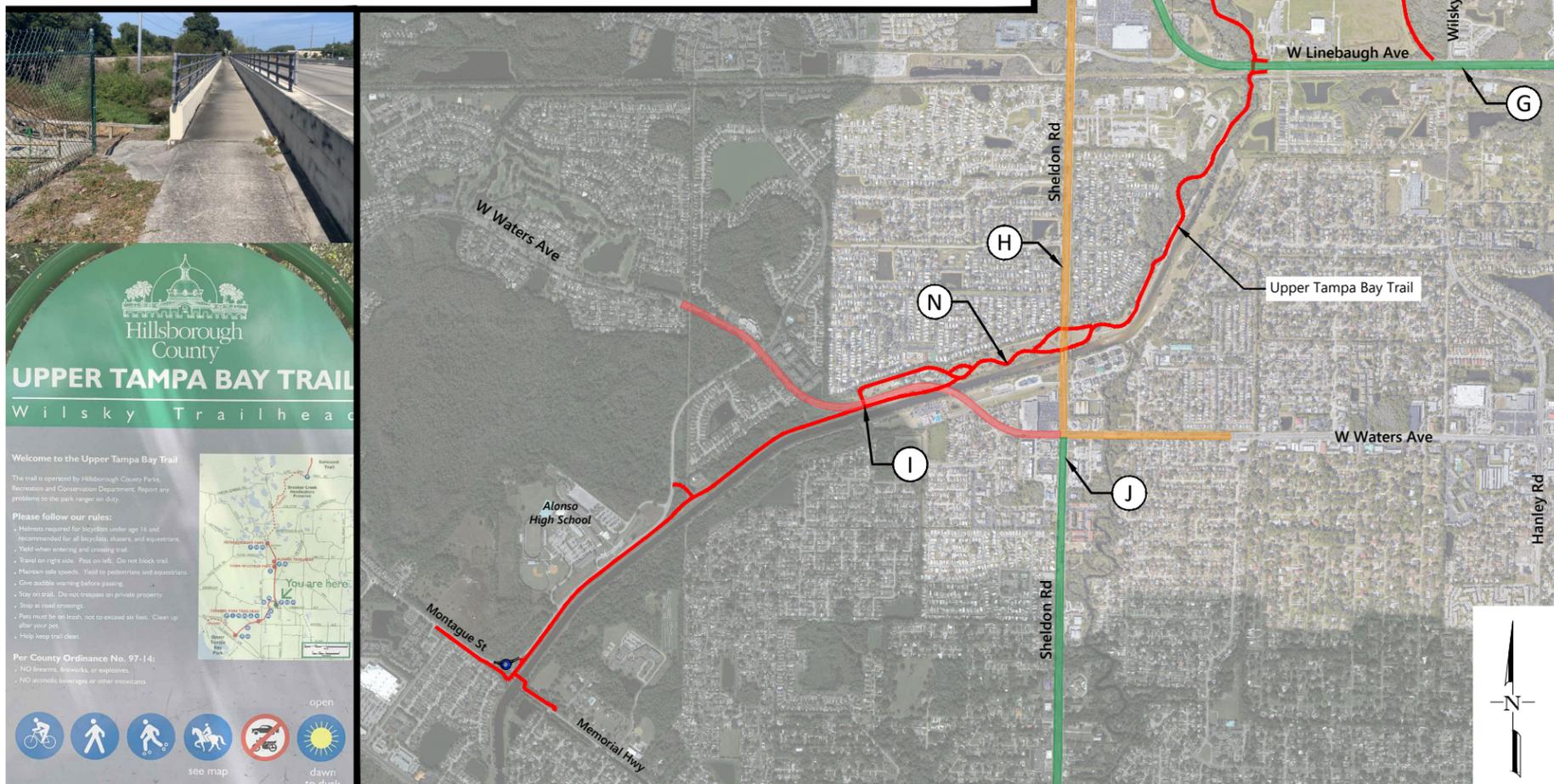


Figure 2
Upper Tampa Bay Trail - Overall