



CUYAHOGA GREENWAYS



PROJECT PURPOSE



- Develop a strategic plan providing a series of interconnected **greenways** and **urban trails** across Cuyahoga County.
- Build on the existing trail network and fill in the major **missing links**.
- Establish a regionally significant network of routes to **serve all ages and abilities**.

PROJECT GOALS

Build a connected system

- Link trails and transit
- Logical and user-friendly
- Local and regional connections
- Leverage parks and open spaces

Build an accessible system

- Easy to get to
- Usable for all ages and abilities
- Serves a diverse community

Link green infrastructure & community health

- Promotes active life styles
- Celebrates natural amenities
- Sustainable mobility

Drive and attract economic vitality

- Strengthens community identity
- Attracts and retains jobs and residents
- Supports businesses and tourism

MEETINGS & PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT



- 11 Steering Committee Meetings
 - 43 municipalities participated
 - 29 organizations

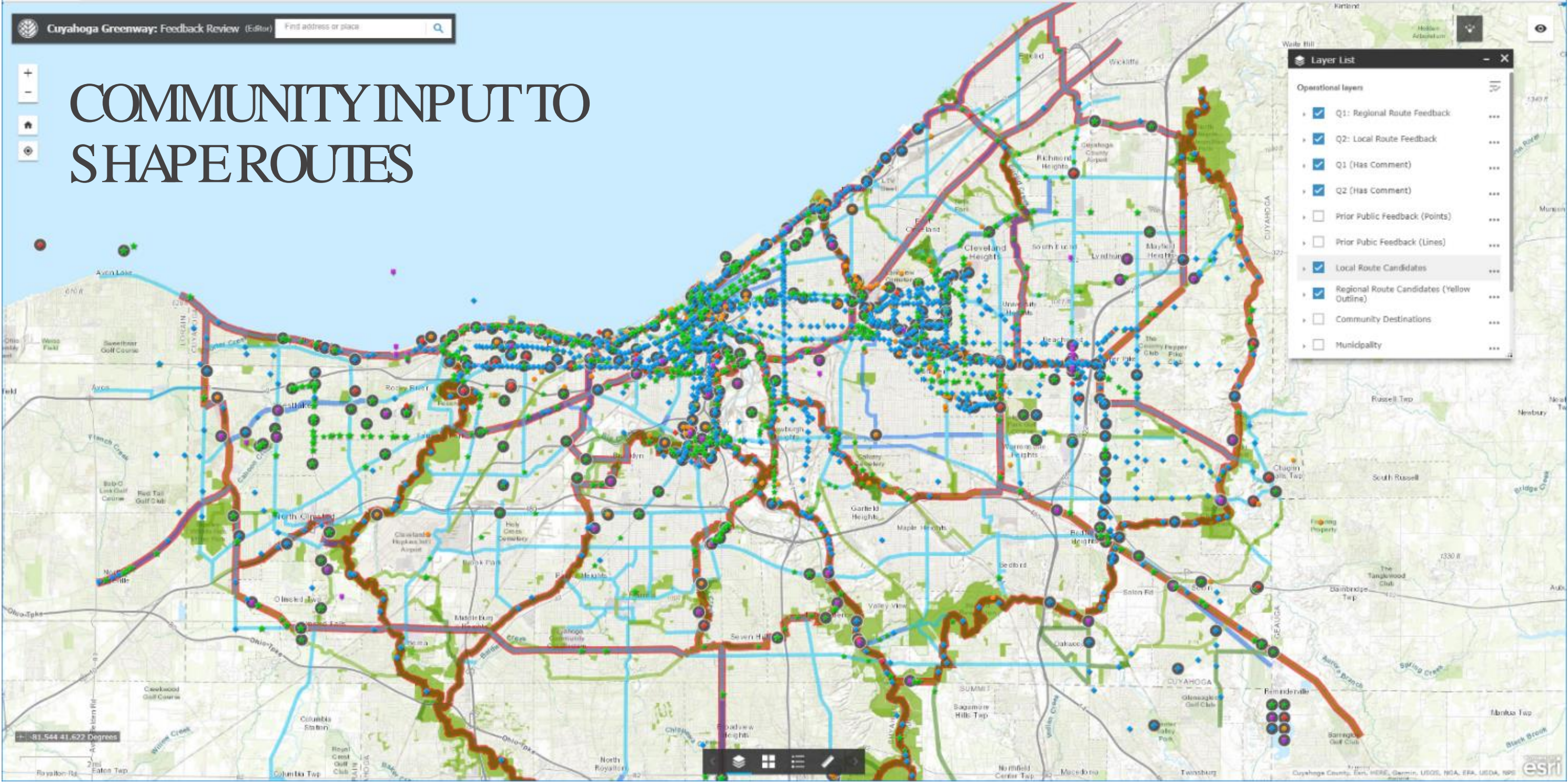
- 10 Community Meetings
 - Over 400 participants

- Online Surveys & Interactive Map

- Special Group Presentations

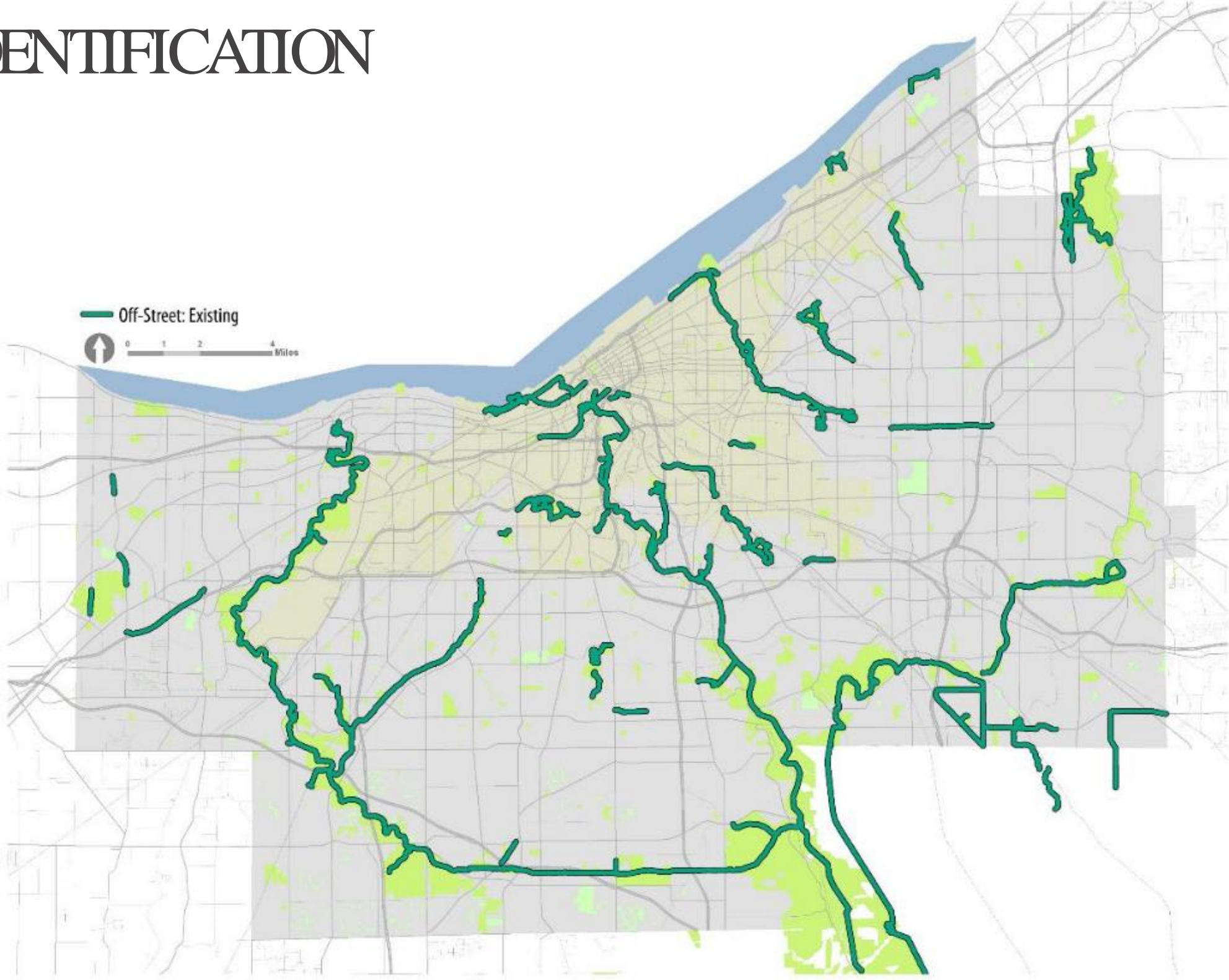
- Media Strategy & Coverage

COMMUNITY INPUT TO SHAPE ROUTES



CANDIDATE ROUTES: IDENTIFICATION

1 – EXISTING KEY TRAILS



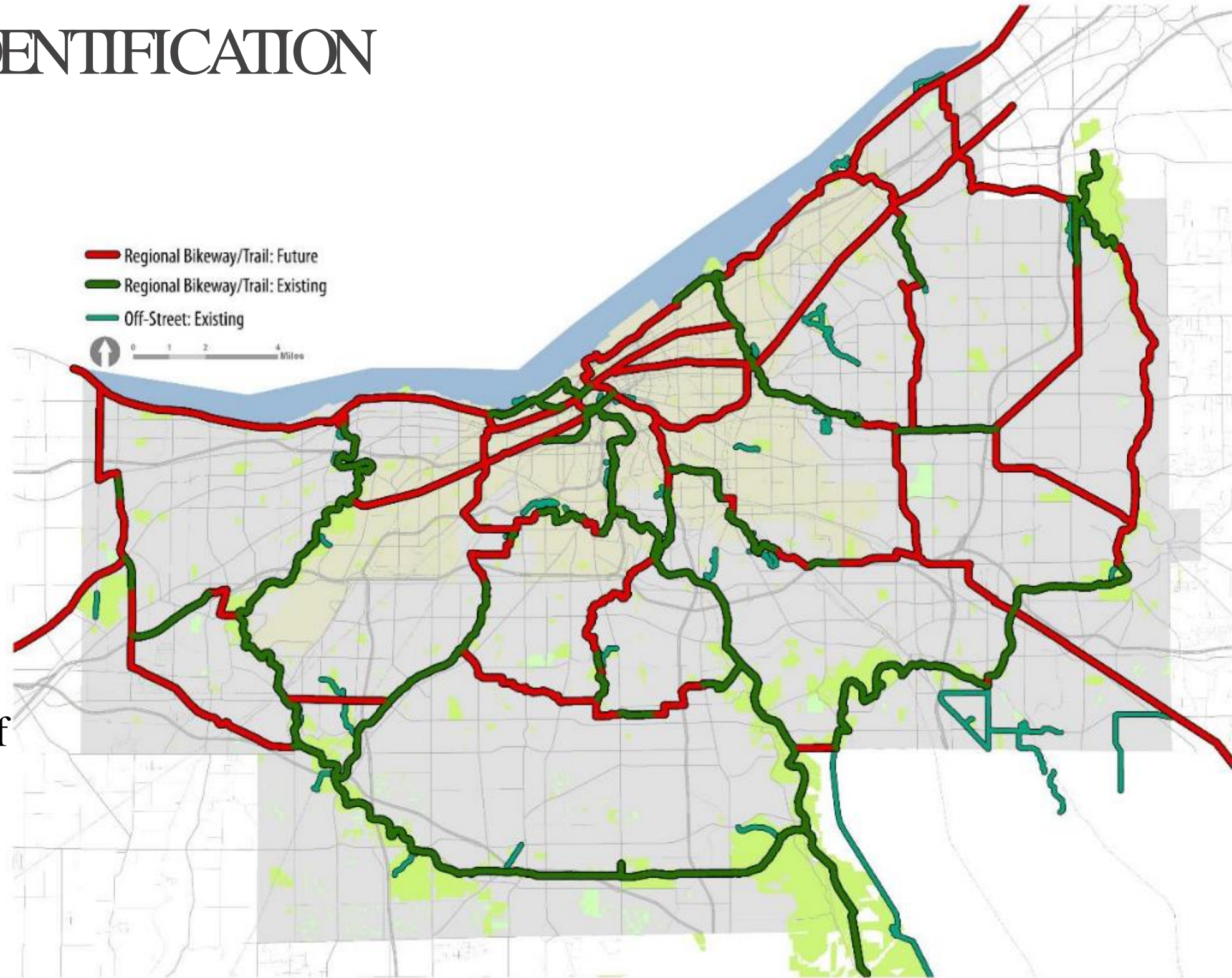
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2 – REGIONAL NETWORK

Determined via public, technical, and steering committee input

Regional network provides:

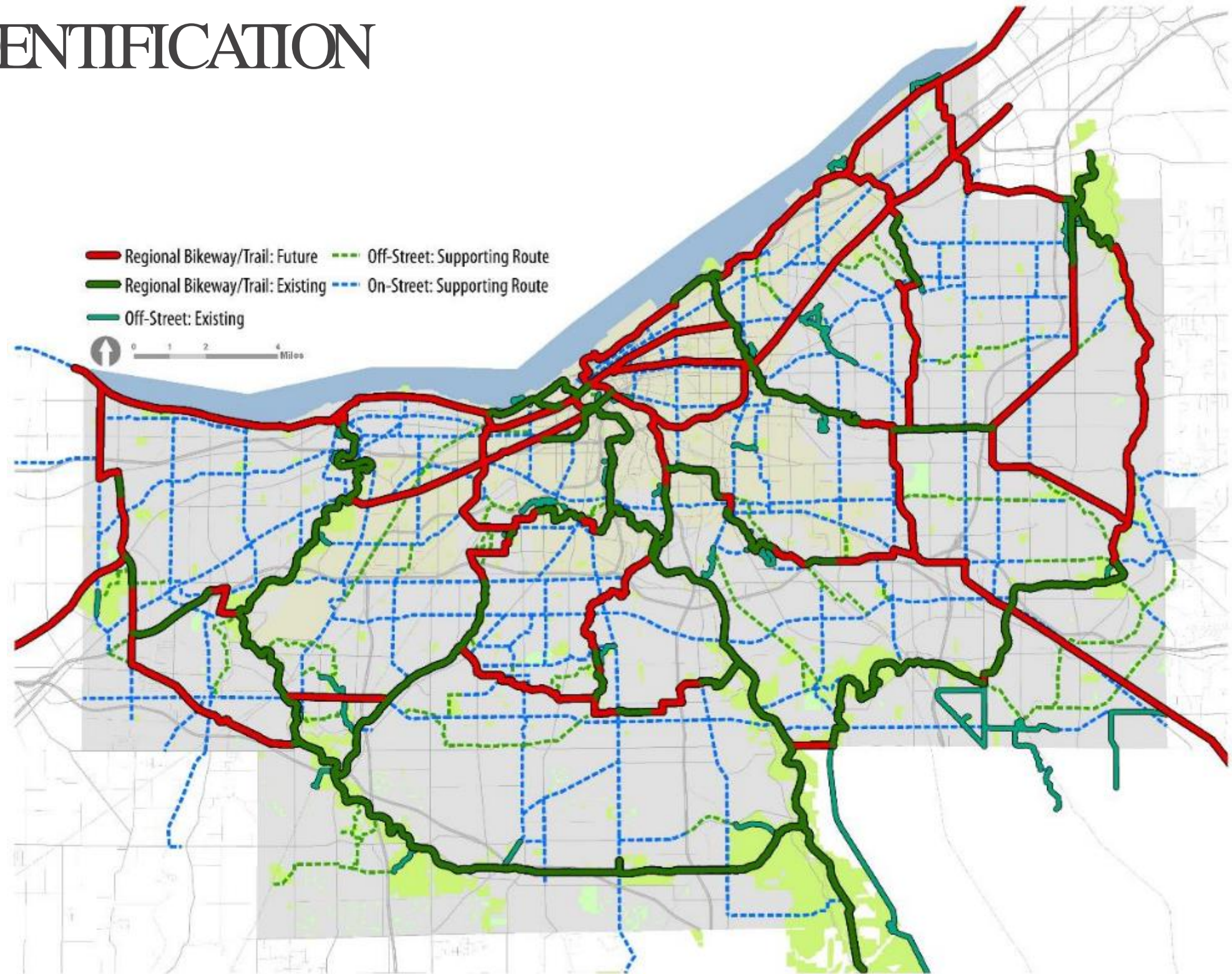
- Linkages to major destinations
- Close gaps in the existing trail network
- Designed for a broad range of users and abilities
- Provide cross-county linkages



CANDIDATE ROUTES: IDENTIFICATION

3 – SUPPORTING ROUTES

- Connect all communities to the regional network
- Some on-street routes may include an existing bike facility – but may require additional enhancement.



CANDIDATE ROUTES: OVERALL

NETWORK – 820 MILES

Regional Network

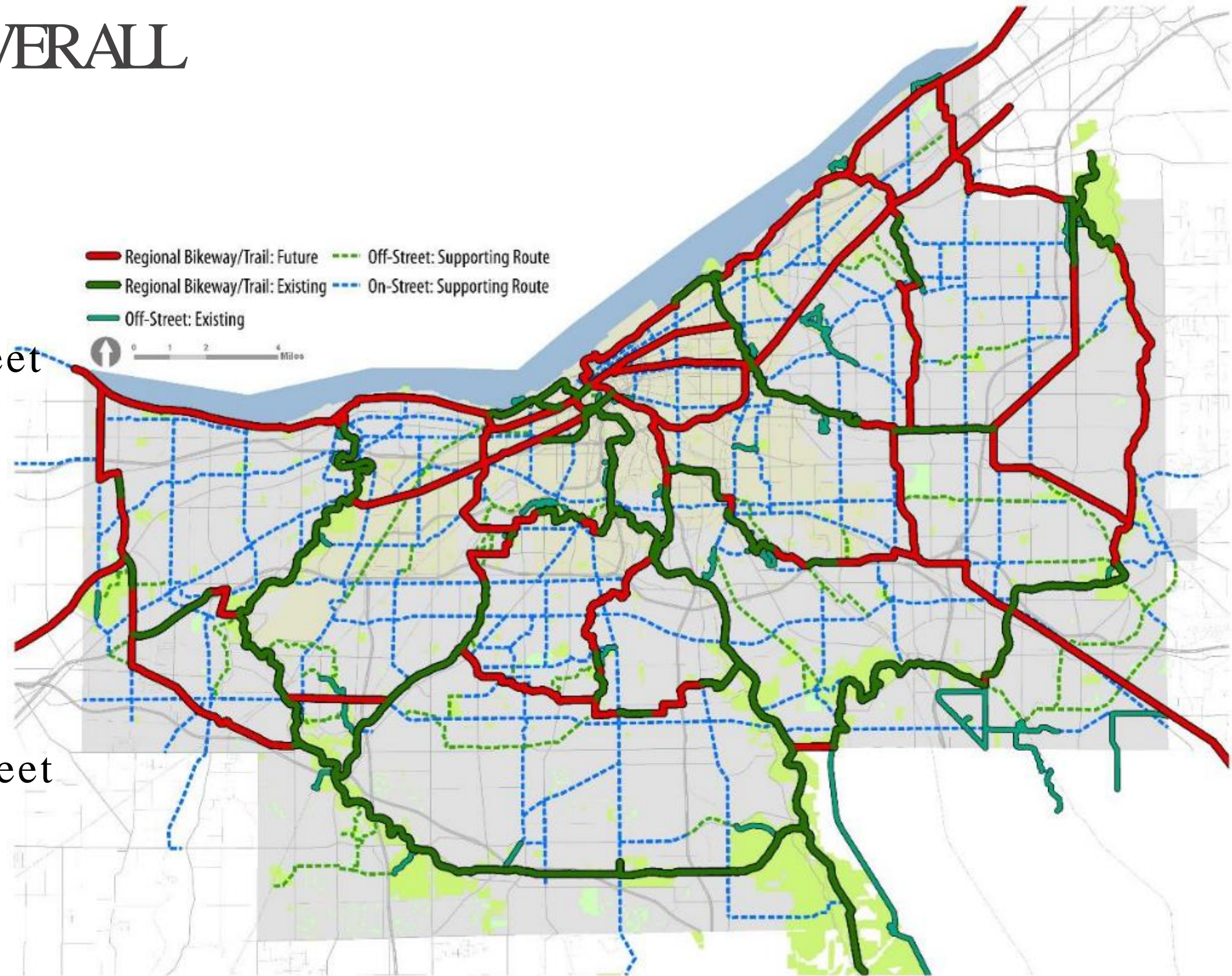
- 122 miles of existing trail
- 47 miles of proposed trail
- 122 miles of proposed on-street bikeways

291 Subtotal

Supporting Network

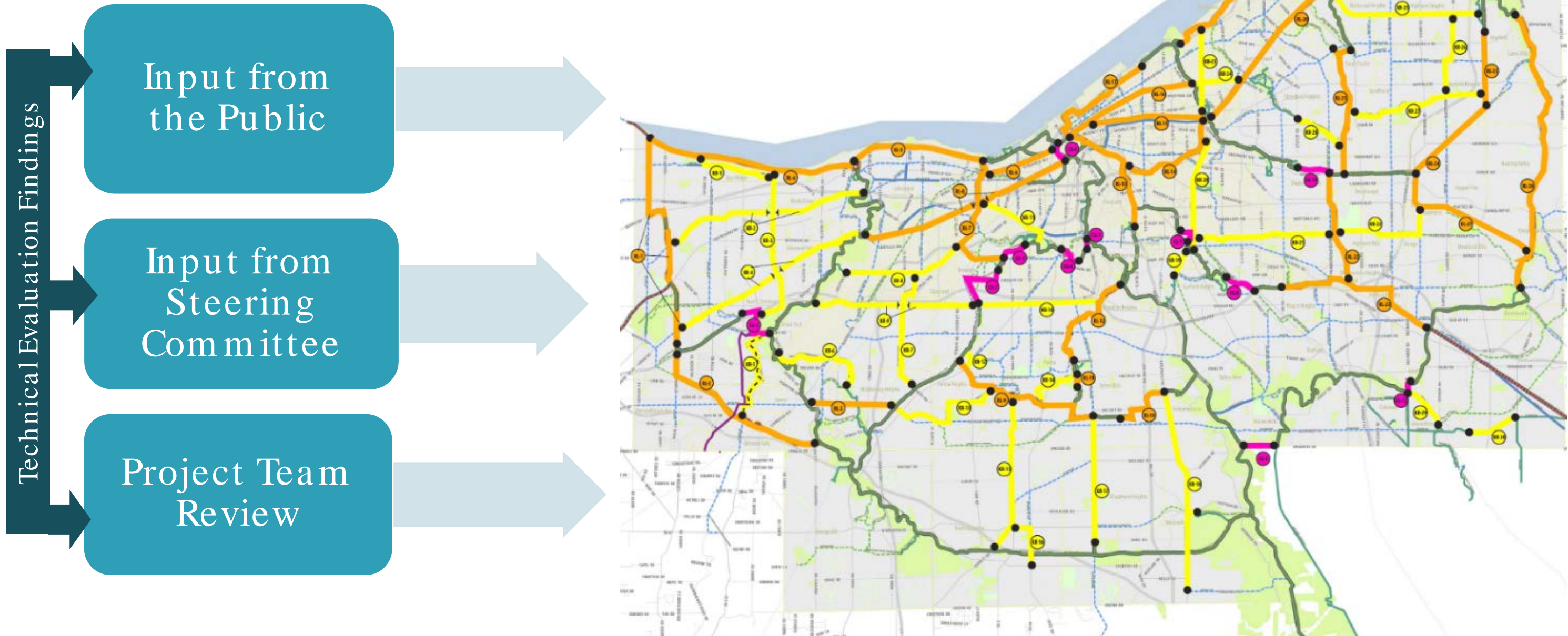
- 63 miles of existing trail
- 102 miles of proposed trail
- 364 miles of proposed on-street routes (includes 30-miles of existing bike lane)

529 Subtotal



GREENWAY PROJECTS

How did we identify *actionable* projects?



GREENWAY PROJECTS

■ **1. Critical regional gaps** (12 projects & 14 miles)

■ **2. Regional links** (27 projects & 132 miles)

■ **3. Key Supporting Routes** (30 projects & 11 miles)

= 69 projects, 257 miles

(40% of the 634 miles of future routes in the overall network)

185-miles of existing trail

40-miles of existing on -street facilities *(this is just for facilities included in the candidate network, it is not inclusive of all non-motorized facilities)*

- Regional Bikeway/Trail: Future
- Regional Bikeway/Trail: Existing
- Off-Street: Existing
- Critical Regional Gap
- Important Regional Link
- Key Supporting Route

0 1 2 4 Miles



IMPLEMENTATION



No one-size fits -all solution

- Will require a variety of approaches to implementation.

The Cuyahoga Greenways plan will serve as a framework to guide regional connectivity

- Coordination between projects at local, cross-municipality, and regional agencies (ODOT, NOACA, Metroparks, et al.)
- Provides a map for cross-community collaboration

Communities can integrate trail routes in master plans & transportation plans:

- Provides basis for funding via local CIP processes
- Can require implementation as a condition of private site development or redevelopment.
- Can “piggyback” on other projects, especially roadway and transit related projects.

IMPLEMENTATION



Local project champions are essential

- Assess route conditions, design input
- Fine-tune alignments and configuration

Continue efforts of Cuyahoga Greenway Partners

Leverage interest of biennial Trails and Greenways stakeholders

Partnerships have demonstrated success sharing tasks

- Land acquisition (e.g. conservancies)
- Design + engineering
- Implementation (construction)
- Programming + management
- Maintenance (routine + long-term)

CUYAHOGA GREENWAYS: INTERACTIVE STORYMAP

CUYAHOGA GREENWAYS: Framework Plan

Greenway Framework | Goals & Process | Route Evaluation | Implementation | Interactive Map

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CUYAHOGA greenways

Vision Statement
Cuyahoga Greenways is an interconnected system of greenways and urban trails that tie in with public transportation and parks to offer recreational opportunities and options for getting around the county, elevating the health of the community and the individuals who call it home.

Greenway Framework: Regional Routes
The map at the right shows the existing off-street regional trails and the proposed or future network of regional routes. These future routes include a combination of both on-street and off-street routes.

LEGEND

- CGW: Regional Network Existing & Future**
 - Regional Off-Street: Existing
 - Regional Future Routes
- CGW: Existing Off-Road**
 - Other Off-Street: Existing
- Data: Open Space**
 - Parks
 - Other Recreational

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