



# Ogden Dunes Link

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# Background





## THE MARQUETTE GREENWAY PROPOSED ROUTE





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## RAISE Discretionary Grants

### U.S. Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg Announces Availability of \$1 Billion to Modernize and Create New American Infrastructure

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) today published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to apply for \$1 billion in Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 discretionary grant funding through the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grants. RAISE, formerly known as BUILD and TIGER, has awarded over \$8.935 billion in grants to projects in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico since 2009.

“In communities across the country, there is tremendous need for transportation projects that create high-quality jobs, improve safety, protect our environment, and generate equitable economic opportunity for all Americans,” said U.S. Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg. “With RAISE grants, we are making those needed investments in our communities' future.”

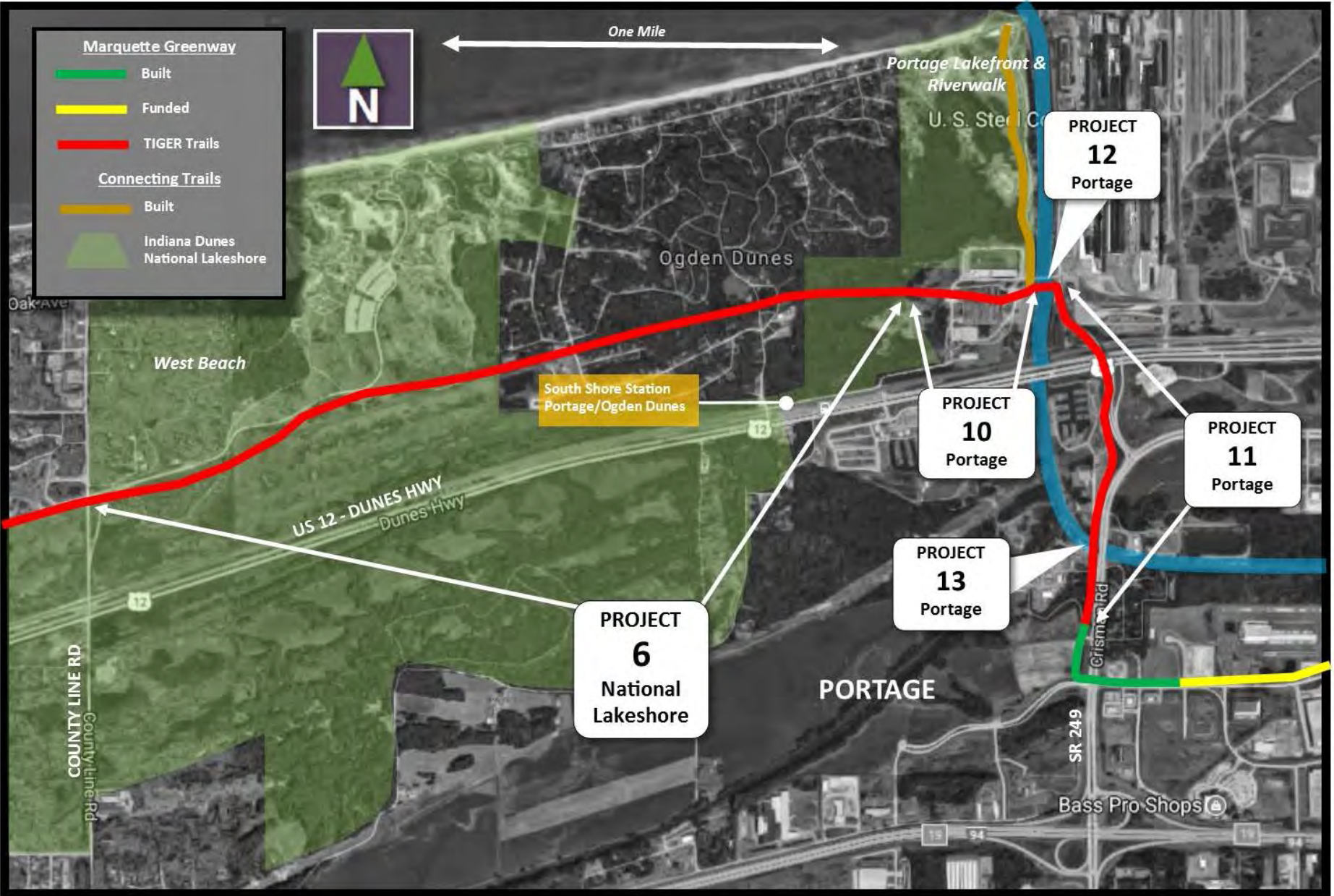
Projects for RAISE funding will be evaluated based on merit criteria that include safety, environmental sustainability, quality of life, economic competitiveness, state of good repair, innovation, and partnership. Within these criteria, the Department will prioritize projects that can demonstrate improvements to racial equity, reduce impacts of climate change and create good-paying jobs.

For this round of RAISE grants, the maximum grant award is \$25 million and no more than \$100 million can be awarded to a single State, as specified in the appropriations act. Up to \$30 million will be awarded to planning grants including at least \$10 million to Areas of Persistent Poverty.

To ensure that the benefits of infrastructure investments benefit communities large and small the Department will



- Submit for 29 unfunded miles in all three states (20 projects)
- Total project cost: \$32,166,300
- Total BUILD (2019) Federal request: \$22,178,325 (69%)
- Local funding: \$9,987,975 (31%)(local funds + awards)









# Ogden Dunes Section





## The Marquette Greenway - Ogden Dunes Route Study





IN REPLY REFER TO:

# United States Department of the Interior

## NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore  
1100 N. Mineral Springs Road  
Porter, Indiana 46304-1299

June 13, 2018

Mitch Barloga  
Active Transportation Manager  
Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission  
6100 Southport Road  
Portage IN 46368

Dear Mitch:

Thank you for taking the time to meet with Eric Ehn and myself, and for your detailed report regarding our field trip reviewing an alternative route for the Marquette Greenway south of Ogden Dunes.

Based on the findings in the report, the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore will not pursue any further review or action on this proposed route. We intend to continue working with you and the residents and community leaders in Ogden Dunes to develop the Marquette Greenway along the abandoned Indiana Harbor Belt corridor, the safest and most optimal route.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions. I can be reached at 216-395-1699.

Sincerely,

Paul Labovitz  
Superintendent

One Mile



Ogden Dunes

Oak Ave

E Dunes Hwy

County Line Rd

Melton Rd

Lake Minnehaha

94

Grisham Rd

Samuelson Rd

20

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Diana Rd

Indian Camp Trail

130'

Sky Hill Rd

300'

Diana Rd

90'

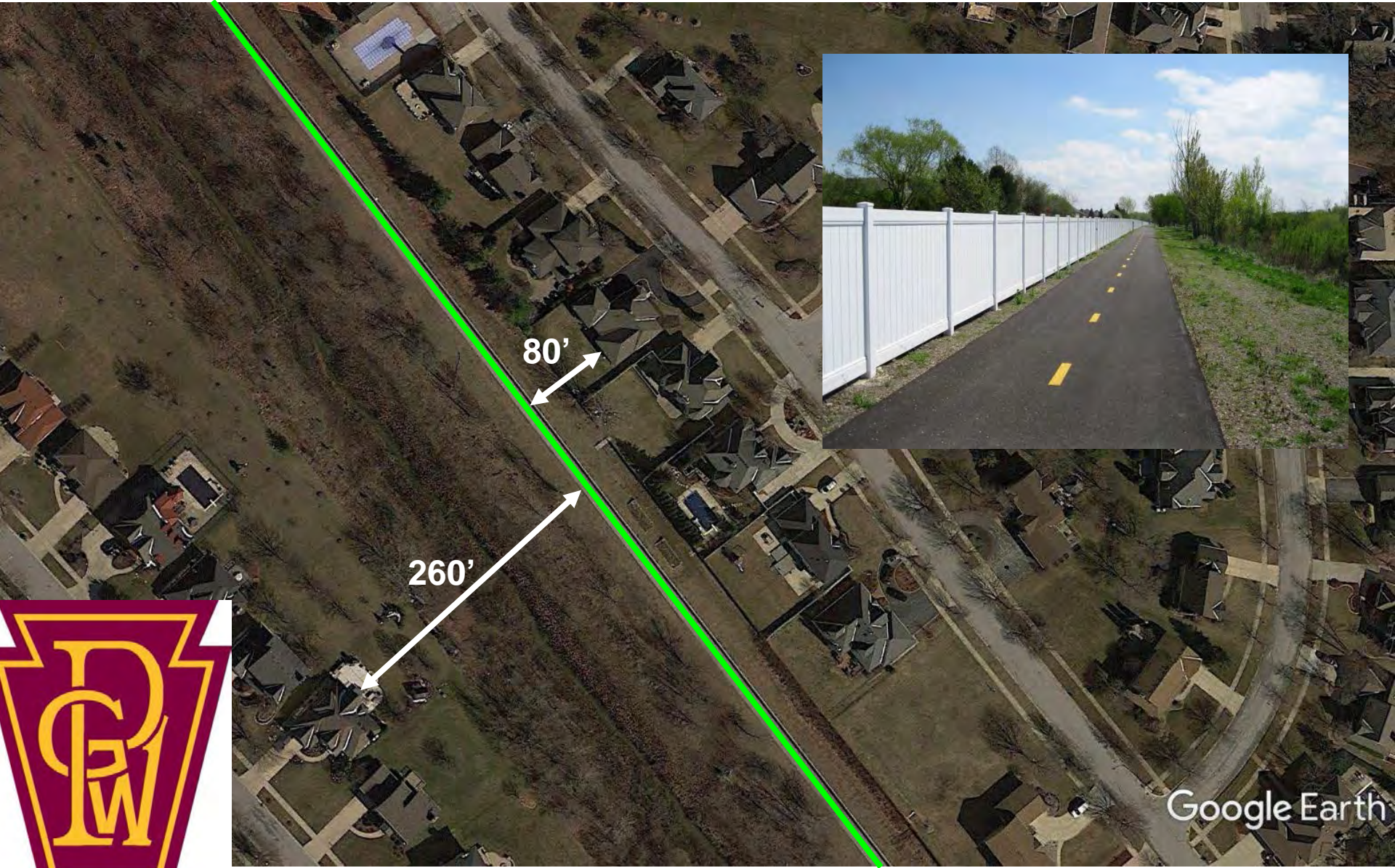
Hillcrest Rd

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**PRAIRIE  
TRAIL  
DUNELAND**



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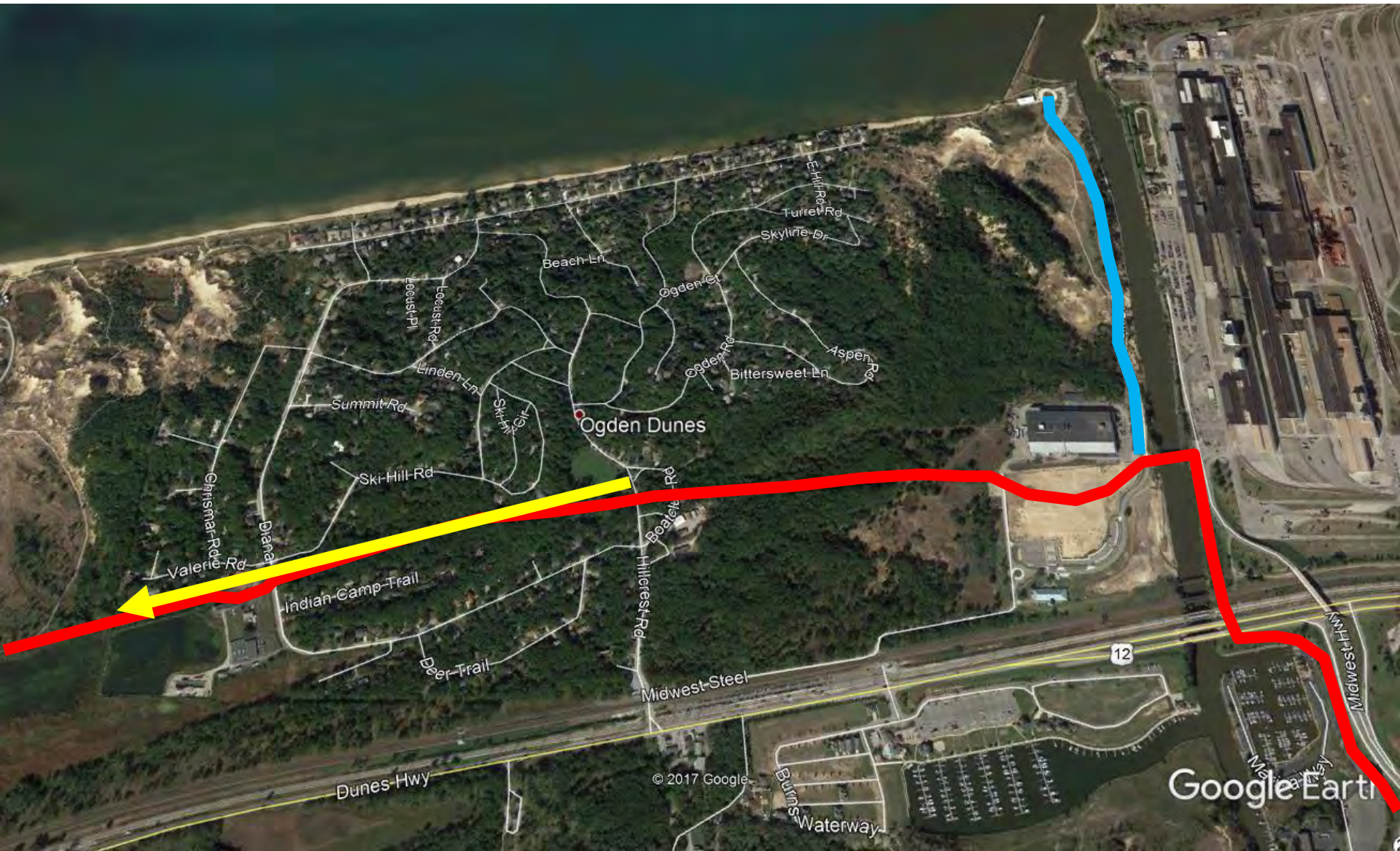
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# Field Check





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# Design Options









  
Dusk to Dawn



### Step-Up

|  |   |  |   |
|--|---|--|---|
| <b>Use Correct Posture</b><br>Keep your feet flat on the ground and your back straight.          |  | <b>Use Step</b><br>Place one foot on the step and use the handrails for support. |  |
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SPEED  
LIMIT  
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MOUNTAIN VIEW  
TRAILS



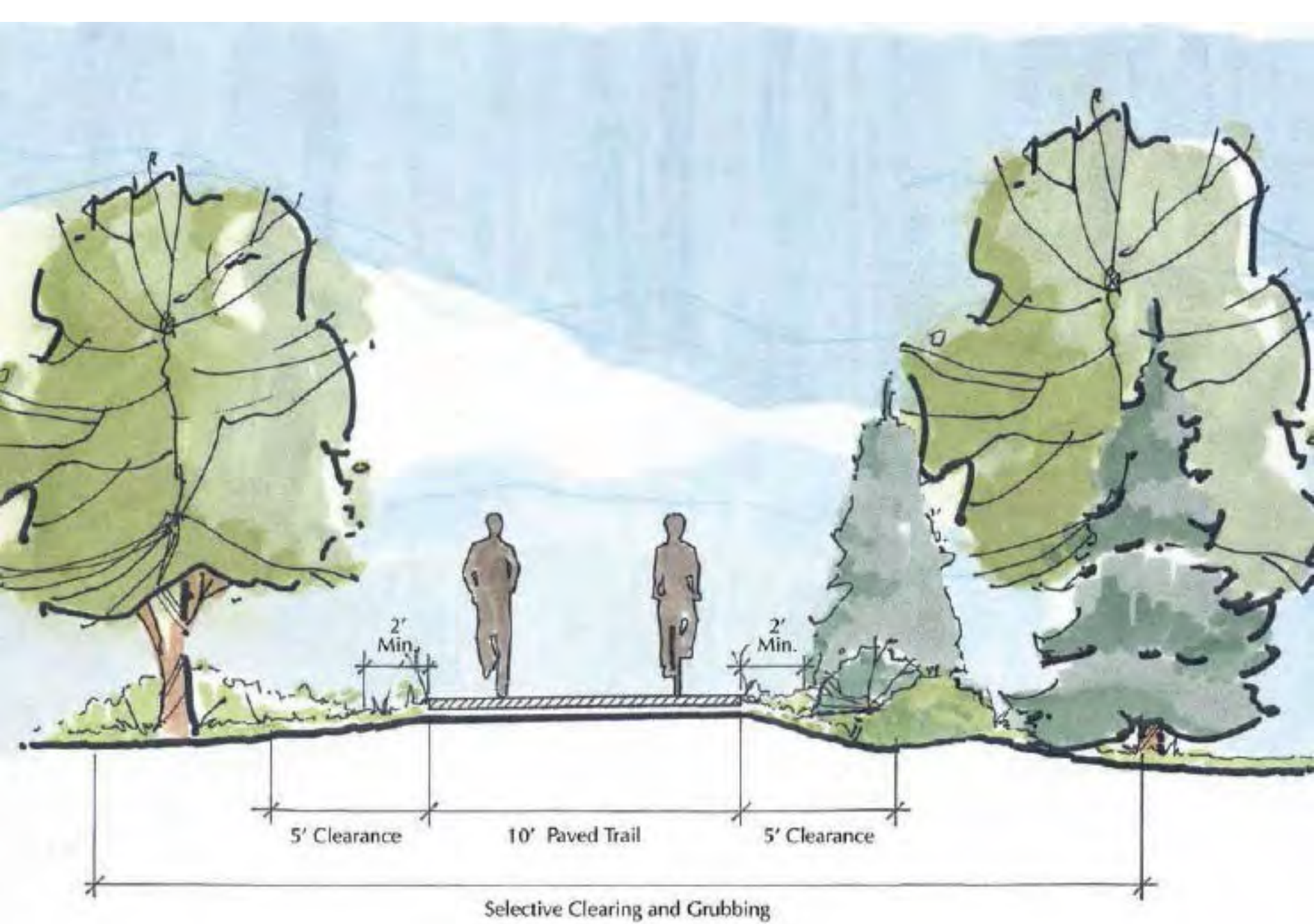
KEEP DOGS ON LEASH  
AT ALL TIMES  
(City Code Sec. 20.10)

STAY TO THE RIGHT

# Design/Maintenance

- 10' wide asphalt surface (multi-use)
- Benches, trash receptacles, water fountains, signage, info kiosk
- Fencing or vegetative buffering where needed or requested
- Bike patrols by local police
- Maintenance responsibility by National Park Service/City of Portage/local
- Vast majority of use by Ogden Dunes residents (no nearby neighborhoods)
- Emergency access to east





# Development Details

- Approx. 0.8 miles
- Estimated cost: \$652,000
- OD's local share: \$130,000 (20%)
- Land is yours (no ROW costs)
- Completion within five years of award (by 2026)
- Collaborate with town stakeholders to address concerns & additional amenities
- Construction 3-4 months





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Dear Mitch:

The Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore continues to be a staunch supporter of the Marquette Greenway initiative. Regarding the Town of Ogden Dunes, we recognize the significant investment needed from the town to satisfy the local match obligation if the BUILD grant becomes awarded. To this end, we are open to working with the town to help figure out a creative solution for their local match to aid in expediting the trail's construction.

Please share this letter with those in Ogden Dunes, and we look forward to productive talks moving this landmark initiative forward.

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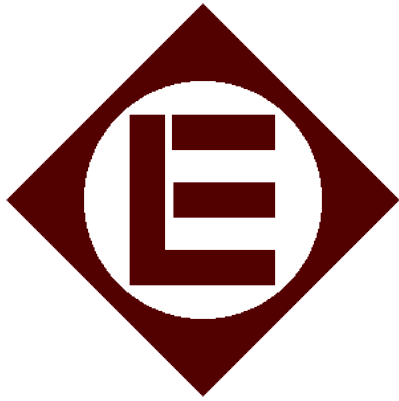
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# Comparisons





# Erie-Lackawanna Trail

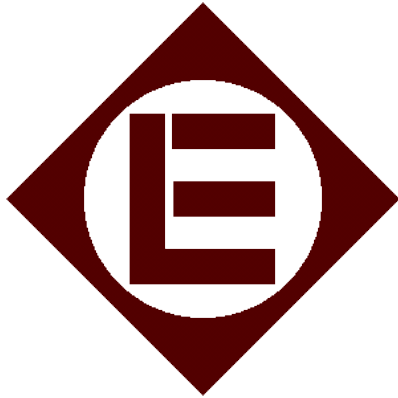
## Highland

Pop: 23,705 (2011)

282 Average Daily Users  
in 2017

| OFFENSE             | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| HOMICIDE            | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| RAPE                | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| ROBBERY             | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| ASSULT              | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| BURGLARY            | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| LARCENY (ALL OTHER) | 1    | 2    | 0    | 1    | 0    |
| MOTOR VEH THEFT     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| BATTERY             | 0    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 0    |
| CRIMINAL MISCHIEF   | 2    | 3    | 2    | 2    | 0    |
| DUI                 | 2    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| ARSON               | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0    |
| DRUGS               | 1    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0    |

CRIME ON BIKE TRAIL FROM 2014 TO PRESENT



# Erie-Lackawanna Trail

Crown Point  
Pop: 29,176 (2016)

236 Average Daily Users  
in 2017

| ERIE LACKAWANNA TRAIL |     | CROWN POINT, IN     |   |
|-----------------------|-----|---------------------|---|
| YEAR                  | NO. | BIKE TRAIL ACTIVITY | DESCRIPTION                                       |
| 2018                  | 1   | AGENCY ASSIST       | ASSISTED MEDICS WITH MEDICAL PATIENT ON BIKE PATH |
|                       | 1   | SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT | TRANSIENT CAMPING                                 |
| 2017                  | 1   | AGENCY ASSIST       | SCHERERVILLE PD HOME INVASION SUSPECT             |
|                       | 1   | K9 USAGE            | NARCOTICS AND PARAPHERNALIA LOCATED IN VEHICLE    |
|                       | 3   | SUSPICIOUS          | VEHICLES/PERSONS                                  |
|                       | 1   | THEFT               | FROM VEHICLE                                      |
| 2016                  | 5   | SUSPICIOUS          | SUSPICIOUS PERSONS/VEHICLES                       |
|                       | 2   | ABANDONED           | ABANDONED VEHICLES                                |
|                       | 1   | CITIZEN ASSIST      | ASSIST CITIZEN FIND BELONGINGS                    |
|                       | 1   | THEFT               | THEFT FROM VEHICLE                                |
|                       | 1   | TRAFFIC HAZARD      | BIKE PATH BLOCKED-OTHER AGENCY JURISDICTION       |
| 2015                  | 5   | SUSPICIOUS          | SUSPICIOUS PERSONS/VEHICLES/ATVS                  |
|                       | 2   | ANIMAL PROBLEM      | ABANDONED CATS/                                   |
| 2014                  | 5   | SUSPICIOUS          | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLES/PERSONS                       |
|                       | 1   | LOST PROPERTY       | LOST CELL PHONE AND WALLET                        |
|                       | 1   | TRESPASSING         | TENT ON BIKE PATH                                 |
| 2013                  | 1   | SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT | 3 JUVENILE BIKING ON TRAIL                        |
| 2012                  | 2   | SUSPICIOUS          | SUSPICIOUS PERSON                                 |
|                       | 1   | AGENCY ASSIST       | ASSISTED MEDICS WITH PATIENT                      |
|                       | 1   | ANIMAL PROBLEM      | DOG ATTACKED ANOTHER DOG                          |



# Prairie-Duneland Trail

Portage

Pop: 35,505 (2016)

115 Average Daily Users  
in 2017

## CRIME STATS FOR PRAIRIE DUNELAND TRAIL - Portage, IN

| Activity/Year               | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|-----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Sexual Battery              |      |      |      | 1    |      |
| Battery                     |      |      |      | 1    |      |
| Vandalism                   | 1    |      |      |      | 1    |
| Found/Recovered<br>Property |      | 1    | 1    | 2    | 1    |
| Suspicious Person           |      |      |      | 1    |      |



# Oak-Savannah Trail

## Hobart

Pop: 28,248 (2016)

71 Average Daily Users  
in 2017

### Oak-Savannah Trail Hobart, IN

| YEAR | NO. | BIKE TRAIL ACTIVITY | DESCRIPTION                           |
|------|-----|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 2018 | 1   | CRIMINAL MISCHIEF   | FENCE CUT                             |
|      | 1   | ANIMAL PROBLEM      | LOOSE DOG, UNABLE TO LOCATE           |
|      | 1   | TRAFFIC STOP        | VEHICLE ON BIKE PATH, ADVISED         |
| 2017 | 1   | SEX OFFENSE         | JUVENILE                              |
|      | 1   | FOUND PROPERTY      | BICYCLE                               |
| 2016 | 1   | ANIMAL PROBLEM      | INJURED DOG                           |
| 2015 | 1   | AGENCY ASSIST       |                                       |
|      | 2   | DRIVING COMPLAINTS  | MOTORIZED DIRT BIKE ON PATH           |
|      | 2   | ANIMAL PROBLEM      | LOOSE, AGGRESSIVE DOG                 |
| 2014 | 1   | BATTERY             | JUVENILES FIGHTING                    |
|      | 3   | SUSPICIOUS PERSON   | UNABLE TO LOCATE                      |
|      | 1   | WEAPONS OFFENSE     | BB GUN CONFISCATED                    |
|      | 1   | FOUND PROPERTY      | WALLET                                |
|      | 1   | SEX OFFENSE         | INDECENT EXPOSURE, ADULT ARREST       |
|      | 1   | PURSUIT             | PUBLIC INTOX, ADULT ARREST            |
|      | 1   | AGENCY ASSIST       | GARY PD                               |
|      | 1   | SUICIDE ATTEMPT     | SUBJECT LOCATED, MEDICAL ASSIST       |
| 2013 | 0   |                     |                                       |
| 2012 | 1   | ANIMAL COMPLAINT    | DOG V'S DOG BITE                      |
|      | 1   | FOUND PROPERTY      | 3 BICYCLES                            |
|      | 1   | DRUG LAWS           | POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA, ADULT ARREST |

| <b>Community/Trail</b>        | <b>Population</b>   | <b>Daily Average Users<br/>(2017)</b> | <b>Percentage</b> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Highland/EL Trail</b>      | 23,705              | 282                                   | 1.1%              |
| <b>Crown Point/EL Trail</b>   | 29,176              | 236                                   | 0.8%              |
| <b>Hobart/OS Trail</b>        | 28,248              | 71                                    | 0.25%             |
| <b>Portage/PD Trail</b>       | 35,505              | 115                                   | 0.3%              |
|                               |                     |                                       |                   |
| <b>Hammond/EL Trail</b>       | 77,134              | 57                                    | 0.07%             |
| <b>Chicago/Lakefront Path</b> | 2,705,000           | 30,000                                | 1.1%              |
|                               |                     |                                       |                   |
| <b>Ogden Dunes/MG</b>         | <b>1,094 (2017)</b> | <b>11 (Estimate)</b>                  | <b>1.0%</b>       |

# How Safe Is Ogden Dunes (Higher Is Better)

Data: 2016 FBI Statistics



Indiana



United States

| Statistic   | Ogden Dunes<br>/100k people | Indiana<br>/100k people | National<br>/100k people |
|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Total crime | 420 (estimate)              | 2,994                   | 2,837                    |

| Statistic      | Ogden Dunes<br>/100k people | Indiana<br>/100k people | National<br>/100k people |
|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Murder         | n/a                         | 6.6                     | 5.3                      |
| Rape           | n/a                         | 37.7                    | 40.4                     |
| Robbery        | n/a                         | 110.5                   | 102.8                    |
| Assault        | n/a                         | 249.9                   | 248.5                    |
| Violent crime  | 57 (estimate)               | 405                     | 386                      |
| Burglary       | n/a                         | 514.0                   | 468.9                    |
| Theft          | n/a                         | 1,853.3                 | 1,745.0                  |
| Vehicle theft  | n/a                         | 222.1                   | 236.9                    |
| Property crime | 363 (estimate)              | 2,589                   | 2,451                    |

# Closest Residential Areas





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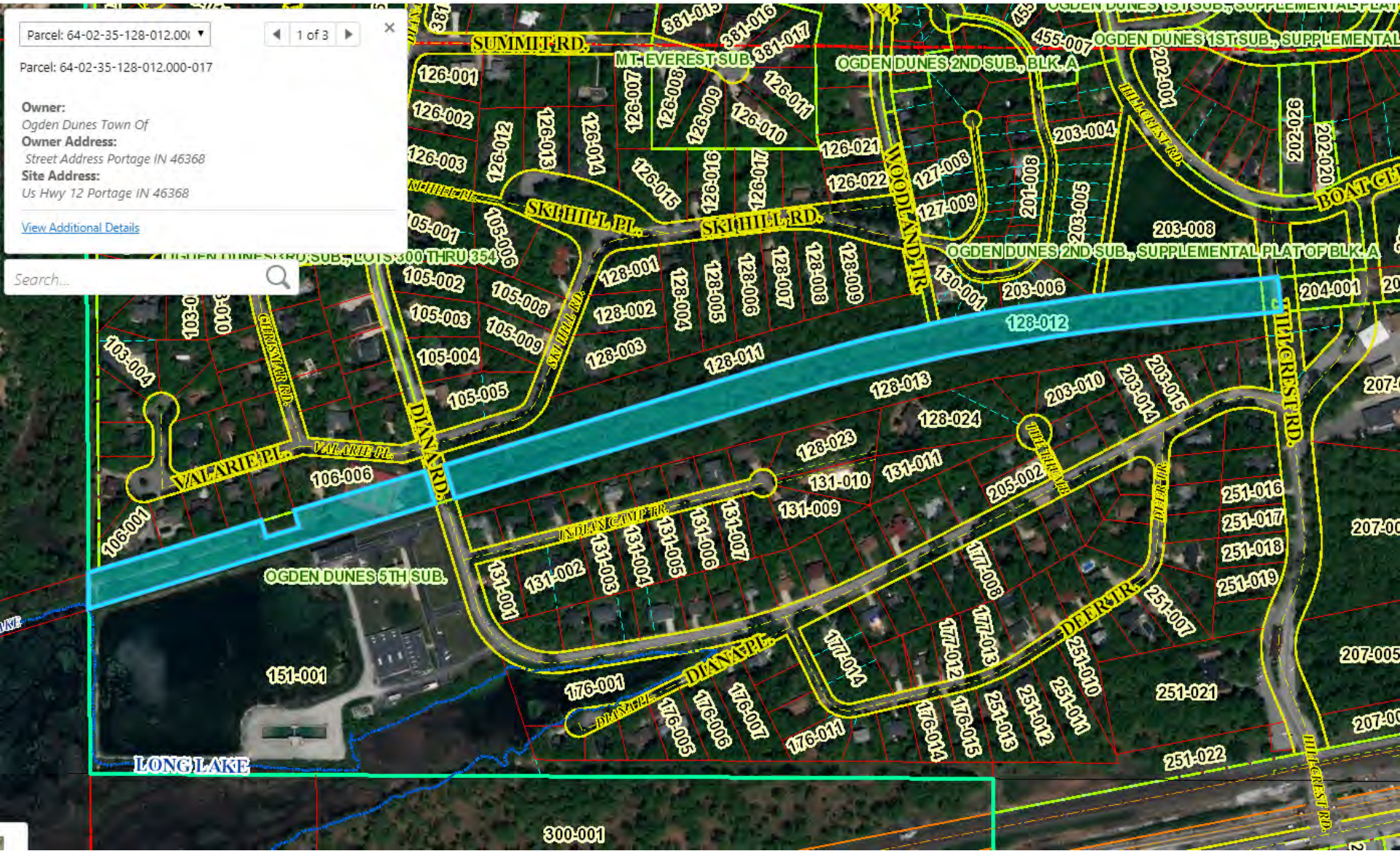
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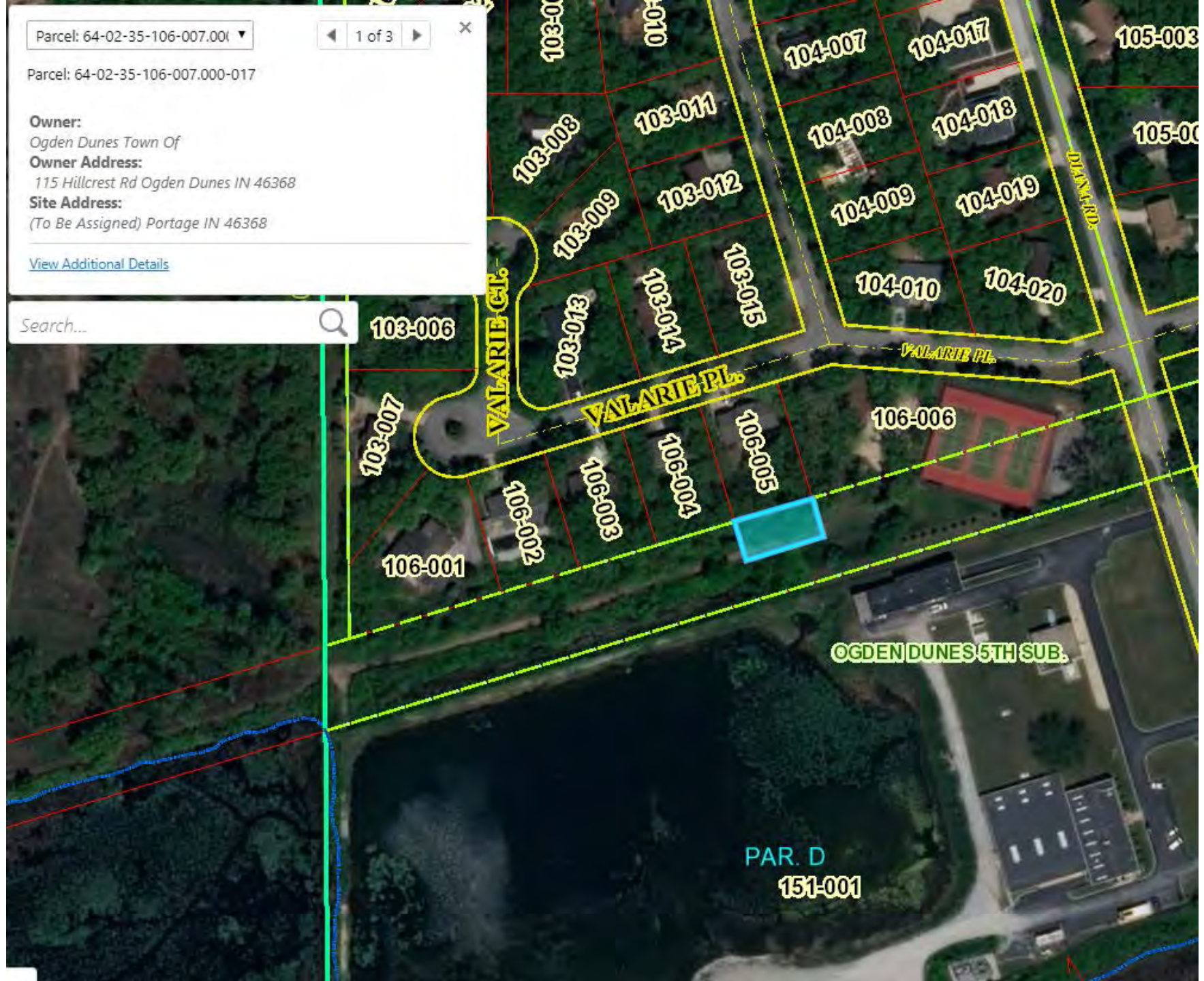
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OGDEN DUNES 5TH SUB.

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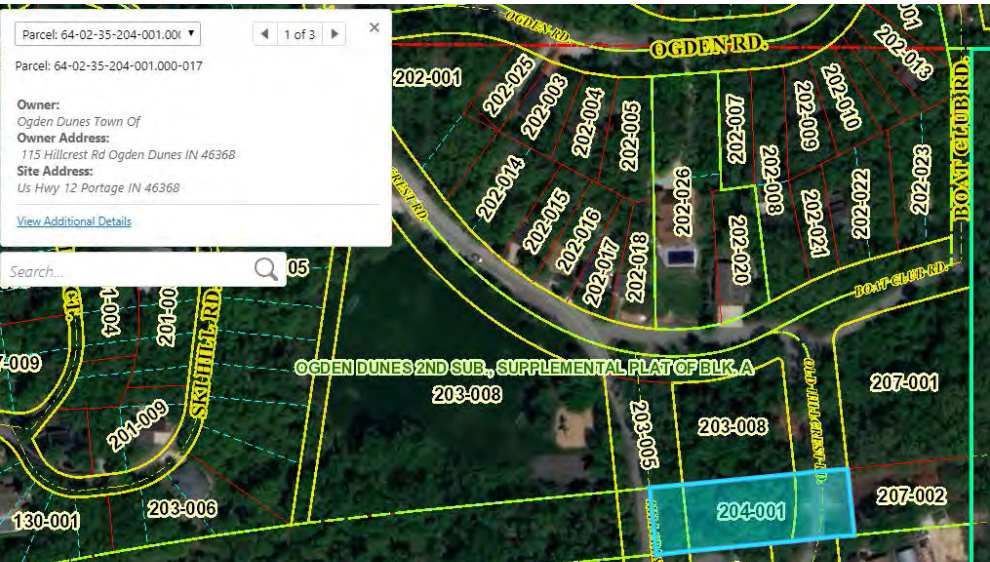
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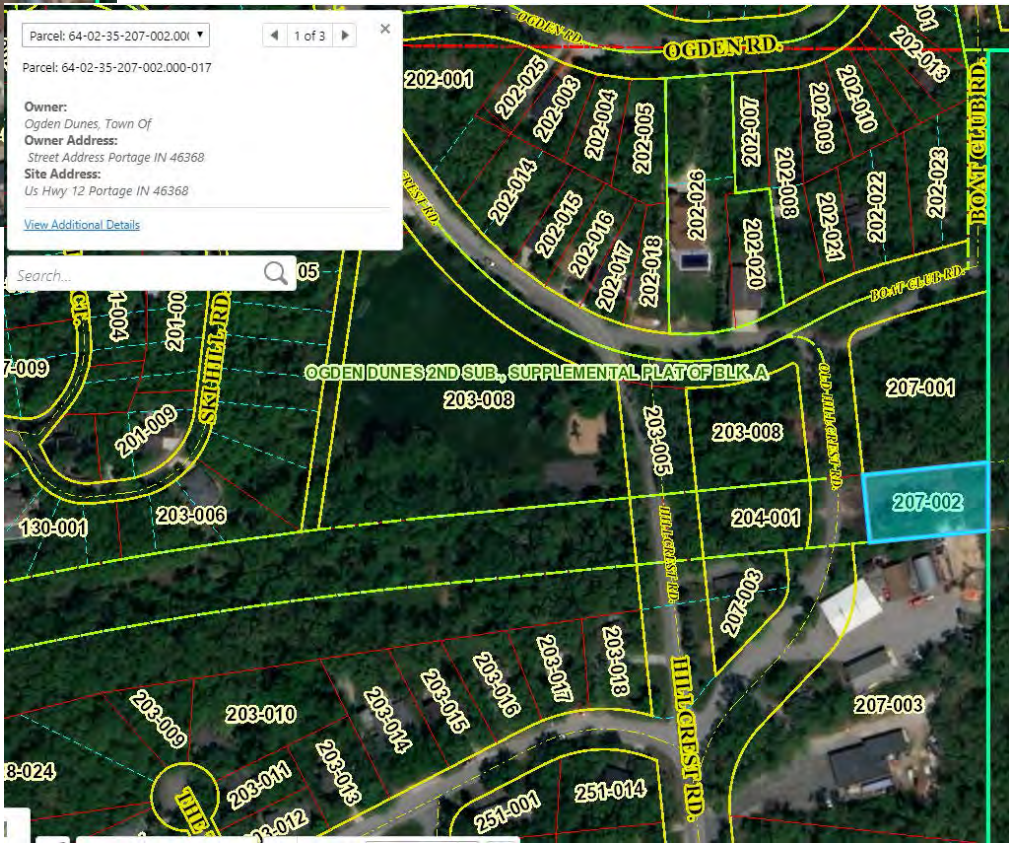
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# From Here...

- Support letter from Town Council for RAISE Grant application
- Letter does NOT commit town to entire local match
- NIRPC/NPS/One Region and other entities committed to work with town to aid with match
- Have until 2024 to start project
- Can back out without penalty





*Thank You!*

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