


Site Analysis: Regional Trails

Trails Key



Existing Trails

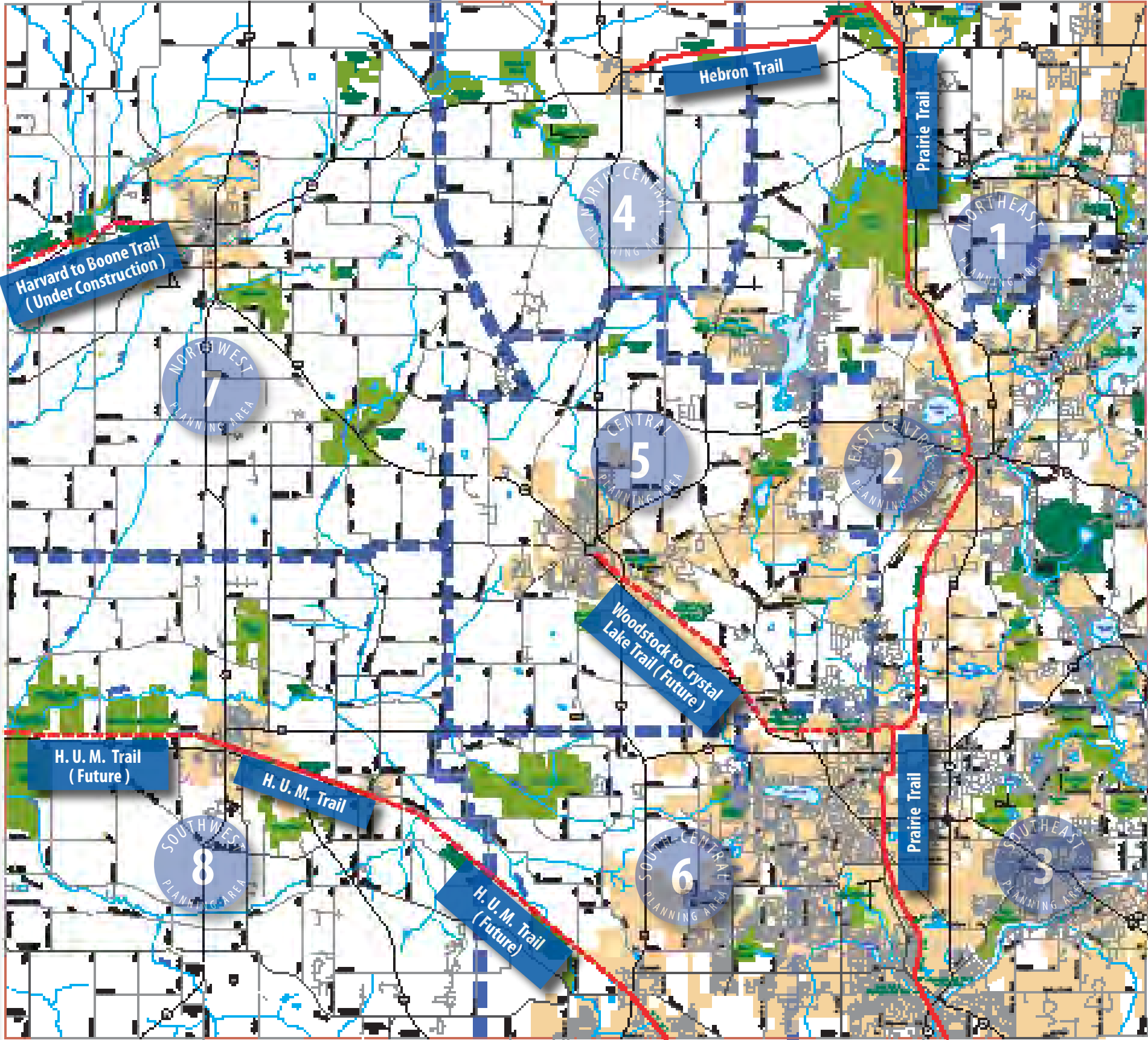
- Prairie Trail
- Hebron Trail
- H.U.M. Trail

Under Construction

- Harvard to Boone Trail

Planned Trails

- Woodstock to Crystal Lake Trail
- H.U.M. Trail Phases



Site Analysis: Prairie Trail

Miles: 25.9

Location: From Kane County line in Algonquin to the Wisconsin state border.

Features:

- Connections to eight McHenry County communities.
- Trail offers snowmobiling, cross country skiing, hiking, biking, rollerblading, and horseback riding to the north.
- Access to the Hebron, Fox River, Great Western, and Illinois Prairie Path trails.
- Restrooms, parking, informational signage, and drinking water.

Master Plan: No

Issues and Challenges:

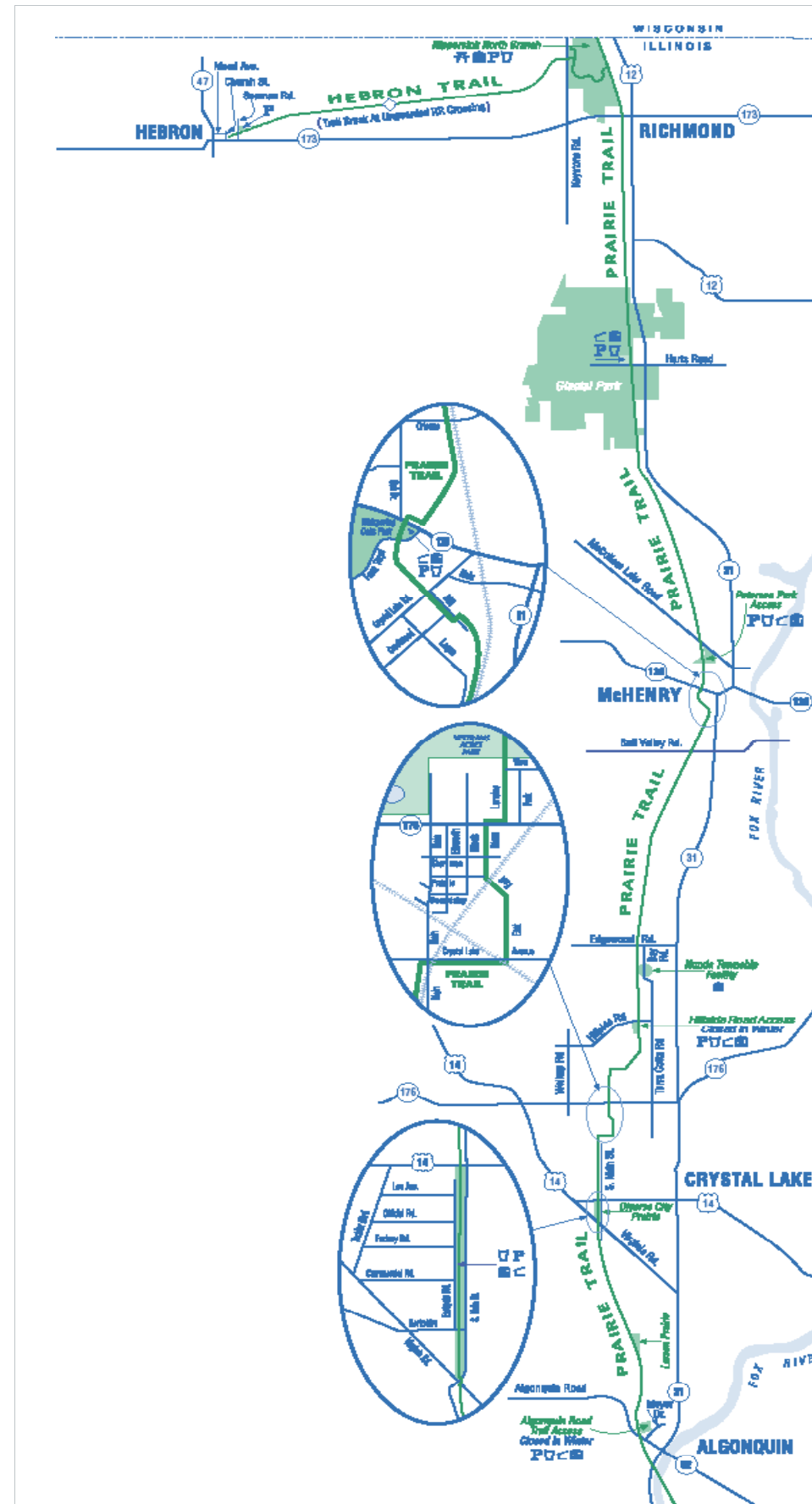
- Inconsistent design standards and materials of kiosks, entrances, and support amenities cause poor identification, and inconsistency with repair and maintenance.
- Railroad corridor jurisdiction adds special requirements to trail alignments and improvements.
- Native plantings adjacent to trail system require additional maintenance.

Visioning Considerations:

- Develop a trail designation system for identification of entrances, trail types/ difficulty, and way-finding.

Recommendations and Implementation

- Develop intergovernmental agreements with Crystal Lake and Lake In The Hills for improvements and relocation of trail due to planned road improvements.
- Implement repairs to existing trail system including drainage and elevation adjustments.



MCCD Site Improvements

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Pedestrian connection to Prairie Trail at Glacial Park



Prairie Trail parking and ADA access at Glacial Park



Prairie Trail parking, restrooms, drinking water and shelter at Glacial Park



View looking along Prairie Trail



Prairie Trail looking south with prairie planting edge



Drinking fountain and seat wall for trail users



Prairie Trail railroad crossing at Hillside



MCCD Prairie interpretive sign



Shelter and drinking fountain along Prairie Trail



Prairie Trail bridge crossing



Prairie Trail with prairie plantings



ADA accessible restrooms for trail users



Meyer Dr. access parking lot and prairie plantings



Meyer Dr. information kiosk and ADA Prairie Trail access



Meyer Dr. bike racks adjacent to the parking lot and Prairie Trail



Trail barriers and access path to Prairie Trail



ADA access to Prairie Trail



Prairie Trail signage, kiosk and at Algonquin Rd. access



Picnic area along Prairie Trail



View looking along Prairie Trail

Site Analysis: Hebron Trail

Miles: 6

Location: Nippersink North in Richmond to Church Street in Hebron, IL.

Features:

- Trail offers hiking and biking, snowmobiling and horseback riding.
- Access to Prairie Trail and Nippersink North.
- Parking and informational signage.
- Observation deck.

Master Plan: No

Issues and Challenges:

- Inconsistent design standards and materials of kiosks, entrances, and support amenities cause poor identification, and inconsistency with repair and maintenance.
- Crossing at railroad is not completed.
- Parking is needed in Hebron.

Visioning Considerations:

- Develop a trail designation system for identification of entrances, trail types/ difficulty, and way-finding.

Recommendations and Implementation

- Develop a trail head in Hebron with parking, signage, and other support amenities.
- Implement repairs to existing trail system including regarding and resurfacing.



Trail through natural area



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Site Analysis: H.U.M. Trail

Miles: 3.5

Location: Main (Vine) Street in Union to East Street in Marengo, IL adjacent to the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad R.O.W.

Features:

- Trail offers hiking and biking, snowmobiling.
- Parking and informational signage

Master Plan: No

Issues and Challenges:

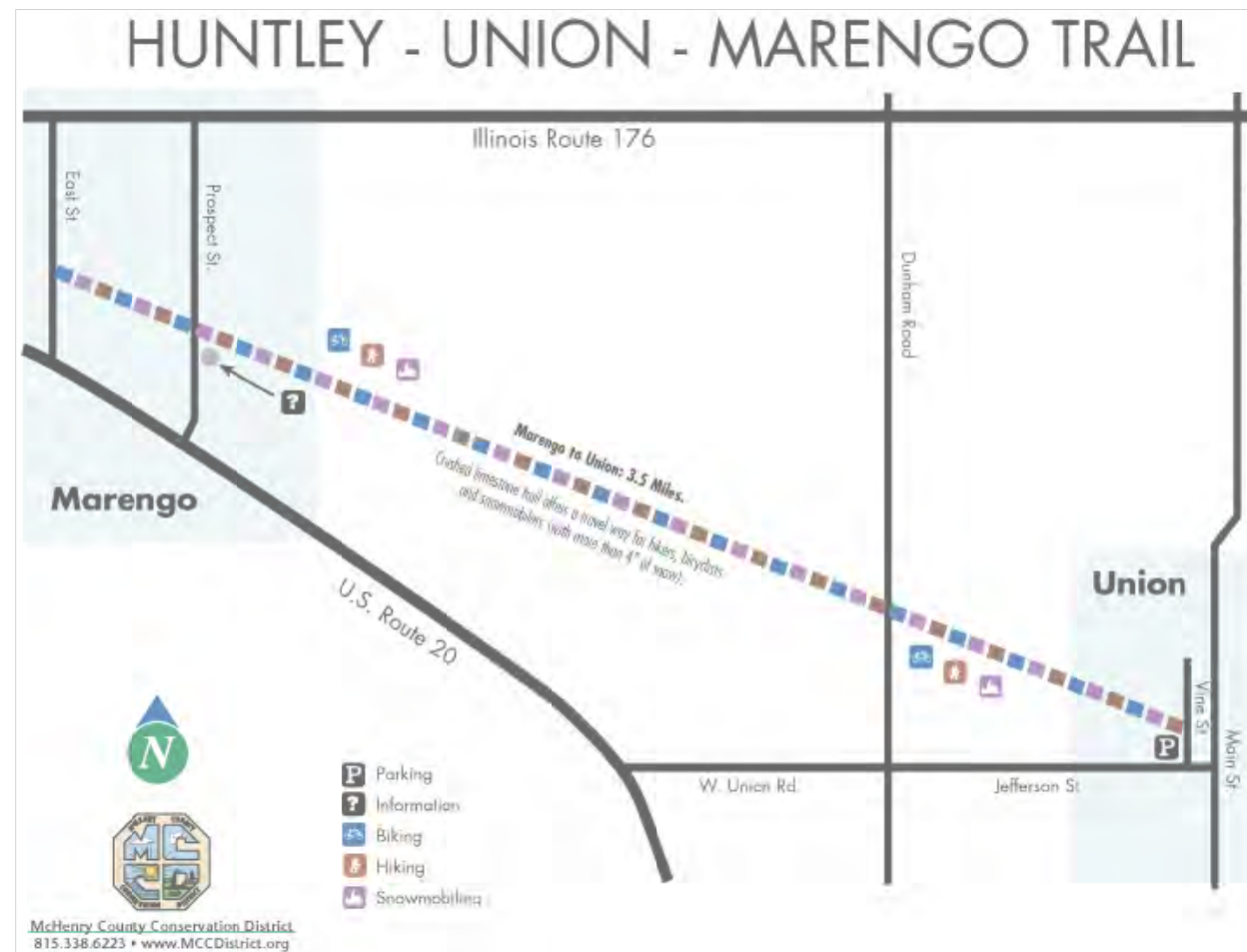
- Inconsistent design standards and materials of kiosks, entrances, and support amenities cause poor identification, and inconsistency with repair and maintenance.
- Narrow property boundaries makes maintenance very time and labor intensive.

Visioning Considerations:

- Develop a trail designation system for identification of entrances, trail types/ difficulty, and way-finding.
- Provide a Huntley to Union connection.

Recommendations and Implementation

- Develop a trail head in Marengo at Prospect Street with parking, signage, and other support amenities
- Implement repairs to existing trail system including regrading and resurfacing.



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H.U.M. Trail along residential area