

City of Bath

Riverwalk Extension Feasibility Study

Neighborhood Meeting
August 21, 2024



Study Team

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Study Area & Goals

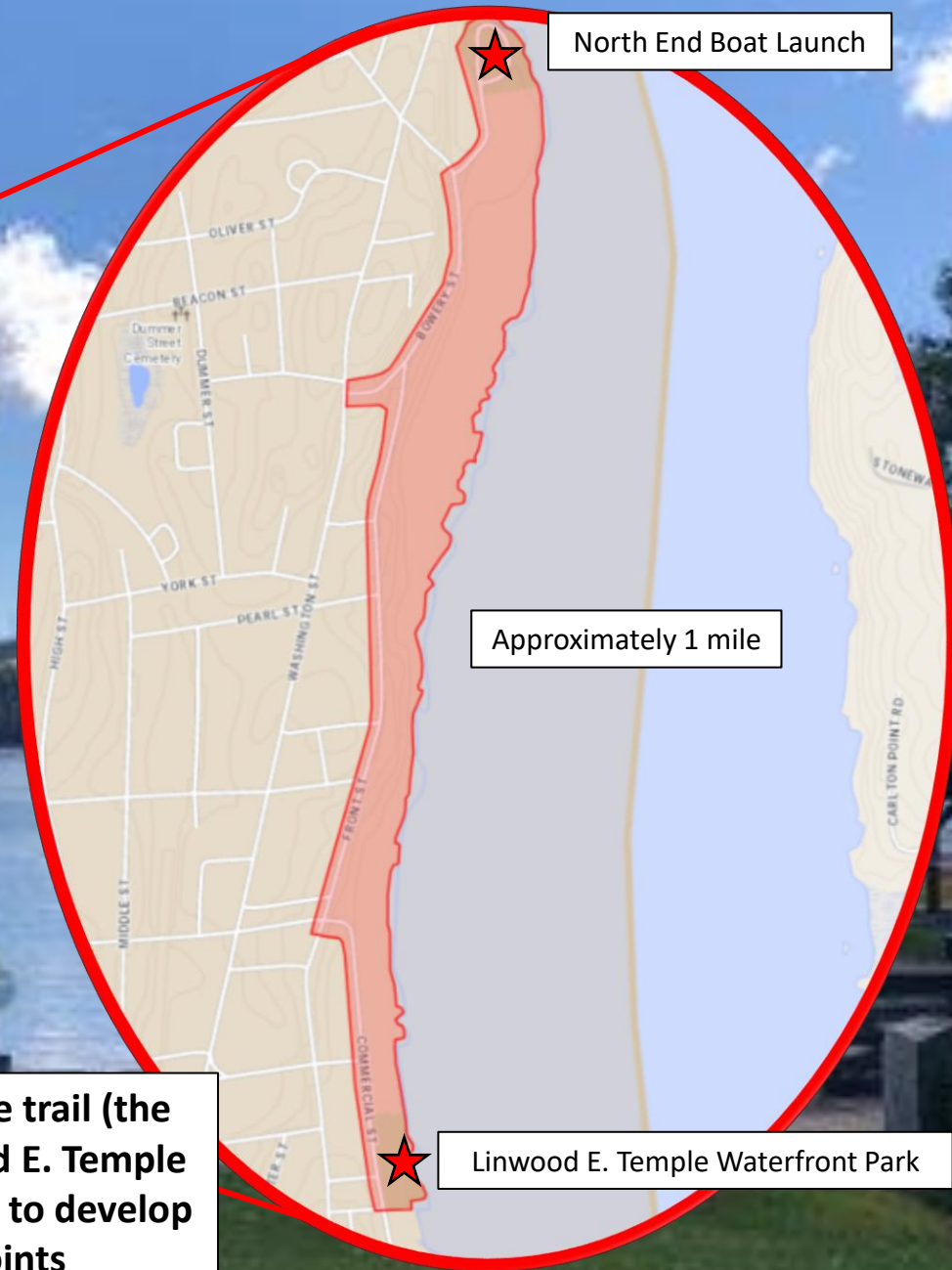
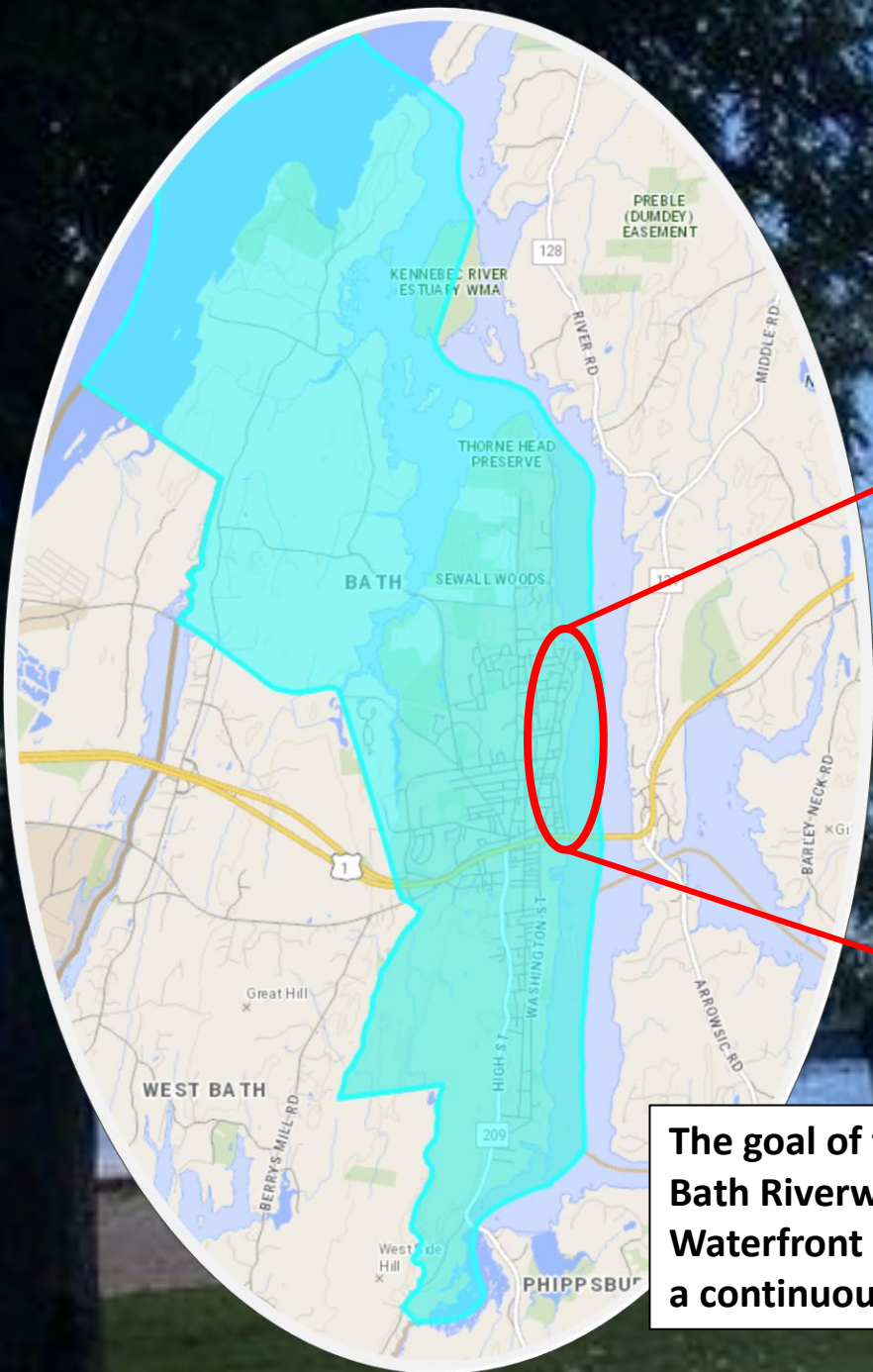
- Commercial Street
- Front Street
- Bowery Street
- Town Landing Road

The goal of the study is to extend the multi-use trail (the Bath Riverwalk) from the northside of Linwood E. Temple Waterfront Park to the North End Boat Launch to develop a continuous pedestrian route between the points

North End Boat Launch

Approximately 1 mile

Linwood E. Temple Waterfront Park





Bowery Street
25 MPH
(AADT: <500)

Front Street
25 mph
(AADT: 800)

Commercial Street
25 mph
(AADT: 1300)

Existing Infrastructure

Town Landing Road
25 mph
(AADT: <100)

AADT = Average Annual Daily Traffic

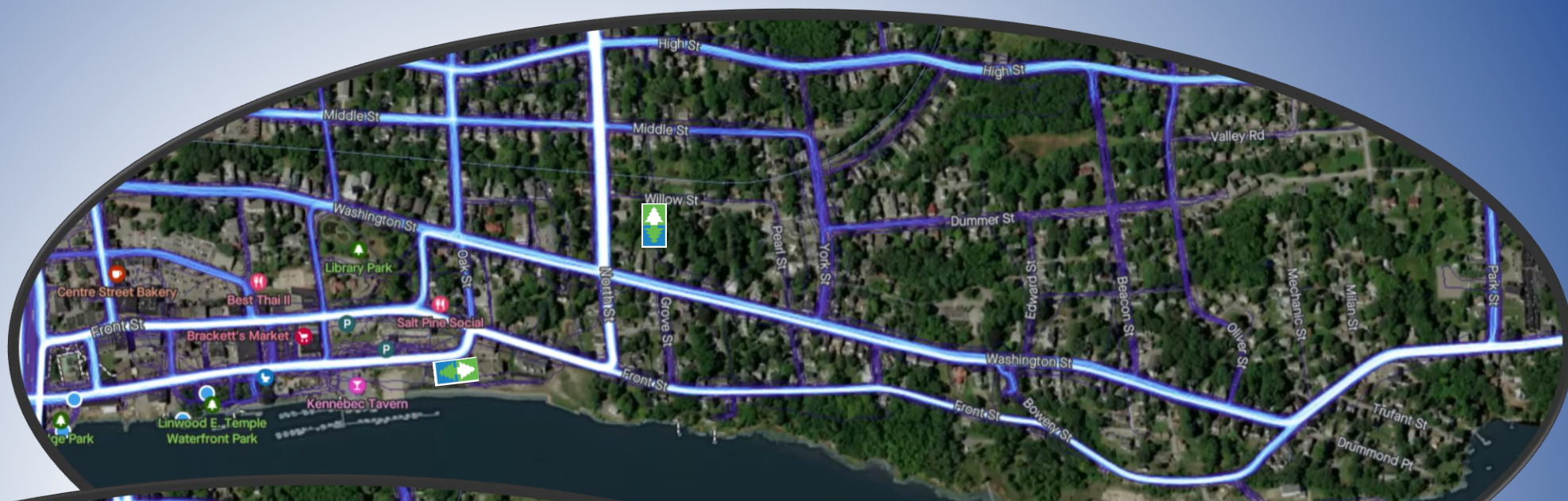
Study Scope (Feasibility Study)

- Accessibility
- Pedestrian connectivity
- Pedestrian & Bicycle accommodations
 - Eastcoast Greenway Route 1A (see picture)
- Review access management
- Placemaking opportunities
- Landscaping, lighting, wayfinding, & amenities
- Economic Development



Heat Maps

STRAVA



Bicyclists



Pedestrians

Feasible Solutions

Preference:

Where feasible the trail will be located adjacent to the Kennebec River creating a “Riverwalk”



Commercial Street in Bath, Maine



The Harborwalk in Belfast, Maine

Alternative:

Where site constraints do not allow the trail to be river adjacent, the team will evaluate alternative routes. Options include:

- Considering on-road alignments “sidewalk style”
- Making use of existing land easements
- Working with businesses & landowners to acquire trail easements
- Engaging developers to consider incorporating the trail into there masterplan ahead of construction.

Landscaping & Amenities



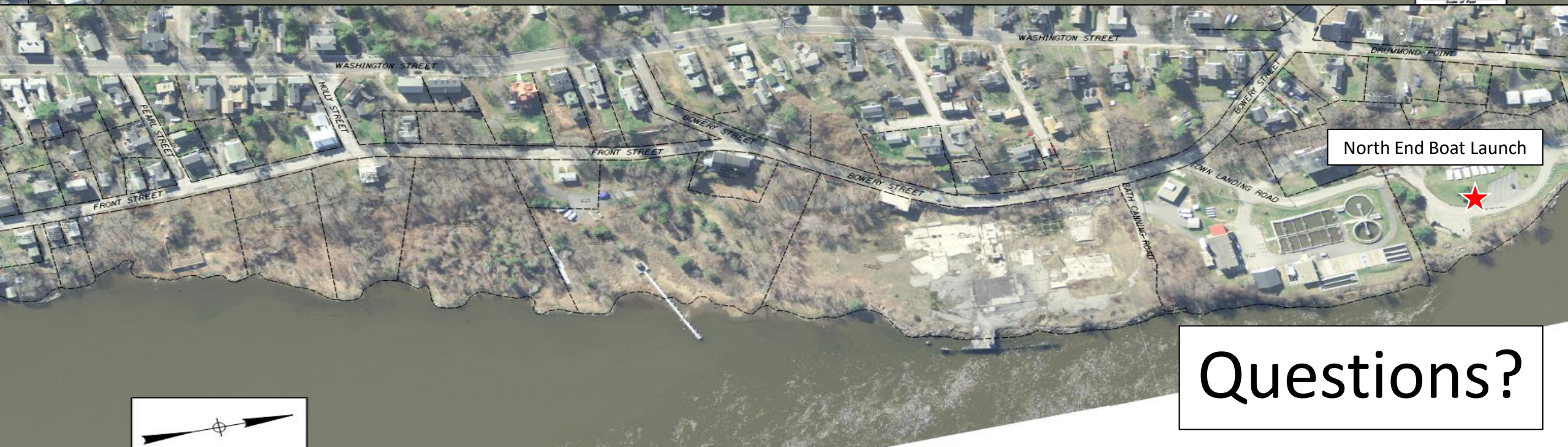
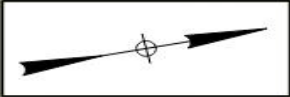
Schedule

- Neighborhood Meeting: 08/21/2024
- Development of Concept Plans: 11/02/2024
- Public Meeting: 11/20/2024
- Draft Report: 12/18/2024
- Final Report: 12/31/2024

Public Input

- Safety Improvements
- Intersection Improvements
- Pedestrian / Bike Accommodations
- Traffic Pattern Adjustments
- Access Management
- Parking Accommodations
- Pedestrian Connectivity
- Placemaking Opportunities
- Other Items





North End Boat Launch

Questions?

