



Status Report on LVRT Activities

PennDOT/DCNR/Lebanon County/LVRT, Inc. Initiative – Inwood Iron Bridge:

- **Current Phase:** Planning to relocate and to rehabilitate the historic Inwood Iron Bridge over the Swatara Creek in Union Township to become part of DCNR's trail system in Swatara State Park; to obtain a long-term lease from DCNR to keep the county-owned bridge on state park property; and to build a new vehicular bridge over Swatara Creek that would be owned by Lebanon County
- **Schedule:** A site meeting of all concerned parties took place in August to advance this initiative. Design is underway by PennDOT District 8-0.
- **Budget:** unknown at this time
- **Funding:** unknown at this time

Phase 6 – Alignment Study in City of Lebanon, West Lebanon Township and North Lebanon Township:

- **Past & Current Phases:** Completed planning study to determine the preferred route to connect Phase 5 to Phase 7 and the Union Canal Tunnel Park. Also developed an alignment to connect Union Canal Tunnel Park with Coleman's Memorial Park. LVRT, Inc., its consultant (Wilson Consulting Group), the Lebanon County Planning Department and the City of Lebanon continue to work with area property owners and businesses on the proper location to cross US Route 422/Cumberland Street at a new signalized intersection and to design the trail to end up behind the Lebanon Valley Mall.
- **Schedule:** Study completed in December of 2013.
- **Budget:** \$25,000 (planning and design)
- **Funding:** \$12,500 (Lebanon County, LVRT, Inc. and Wilson Consulting Group) and \$12,500 state DCNR funds

Recent LVRT Acquisition – John Light Property in Union Township:

- **Current Phase:** Acquisition completed on June 27, 2016 (This will be used for a portion of LVRT Phase 10.)
- **Schedule:** Acquired 4 parcels (mostly former Union Canal tow path) from US Route 22 to north of I-78. Will be used as a match for future state and federal grants.
- **Budget:** \$90,000+ (appraisal, survey and acquisition)
- **Funding:** \$90,000+ (LVRT, Inc.) and \$1,500 (LEBCO MPO)

Rail-Trail Rehabilitation – Lancaster County Line northward to the Wilhelm Avenue Bridge in various locations:

- **Current Phase:** The project was approved by DCNR in 2015. The agreement for the funds was executed in early 2016. 50% of the funds were provided to the County. The Wilson Consulting Group was given the notice to proceed with the engineering and environmental clearance work on the project.
- **Type Project:** Rail-trail rehabilitation, ADA access, landscaping/drainage, kiosk/LVRT sign, other road signs, and related intersection improvements at various locations over 8.3 miles.
- **Schedule:** Environmental clearance and design by mid-2017; bid letting in the fall of 2017; and construction beginning in spring of 2018
- **Budget:** \$460,000 (design, construction and inspection)
- **Funding:** \$460,000 in state DCNR funds; the “soft” match came from the LVRT Phase 7 project where the LEBCO MPO provided nearly \$500,000 in STP Funds

PennDOT Statewide Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Application – LVRT Phase 9B (bridge redecking over Swatara Creek at Frog Hollow and 1,700 feet of trail construction south of the bridge):

- **Current Phase:** A grant application was submitted to PennDOT in early December of 2015. PennDOT will announce the approved projects in late 2016.
- **Type Project:** Bridge redecking and rail-trail construction
- **Schedule:** Grant approval (hopefully) in late 2016; environmental clearance and design in fall of 2017; bid letting in early 2018; and construction completed in late 2018
- **Budget:** \$650,000 (design, construction and inspection)
- **Funding:** \$575,000 in PennDOT Statewide TAP Funds; and \$75,000 in LVRT, Inc. Funds

Recently Revised DCNR Grant Application – LVRT Phase 9C (extending the rail-trail north of US Route 22 to the recently acquired John Light property):

- **Current Phase:** A revised grant application was submitted to DCNR in late October of 2016.
- **Type Project:** Rail-trail construction
- **Schedule:** Grant approval (hopefully) in late 2016; environmental clearance and design by late 2017; bid letting in late spring of 2018; and construction completed in the late fall of 2018
- **Budget:** \$425,000 (design, construction and inspection)
- **Funding:** \$425,000 in DCNR Funds ... the “soft” match will hopefully come from the PennDOT Funds applied for with Phase 9B

Phase 9A – Shared Use Path in the Jonestown area:

- **Current Phase:** The project was awarded to Rogele, Inc.; construction is complete. Minor additional work is underway, like fencing.
- **Type Project:** Development of 1.9 mile shared use path on canal towpath and railbed from the railroad bridge over Swatara Creek north to Supreme Mid-Atlantic (The iron bridge over Swatara Creek at Frog Hollow will be done as its own project; this is called LVRT Phase 9B.)
- **Schedule:** Design in 2013/2014 and construction began in March of 2016
- **Budget:** \$1,099,634 (design, construction and inspection)
- **Funding:** \$863,634 in LEBCO MPO Federal STP Funds and \$236,000 state DCNR funds

Cornwall Trailhead – Parking Facility with Amenities in Cornwall Borough:

- **Current Phase:** Project was bid and awarded to Rogele, Inc.; the project was completed by the contractor. Minor additional work was also completed.
- **Type Project:** Development for the expansion of an existing trailhead from 30 to 62 parking spaces with improved (safer) traffic flow within the lot
- **Schedule:** Design in 2013/2014 and construction completed in late 2015
- **Budget:** \$390,000 (design, construction and inspection)
- **Funding:** \$35,000 (LVRT, Inc. which includes Rexmont Dam Funds), \$50,000 (County), \$160,000 LEBCO MPO STP Funds and \$125,000 state DCNR funds

Alden Place Trailhead – New 19-Space Trailhead / Informal Park-and-Ride Lot in Cornwall Borough and Access Improvements:

- **Current Phase:** The project has been completed. Act 89 of 2013 Multimodal Transportation Funds from PennDOT were approved for the project; the project was awarded to Barwis. Construction started in May of 2016.
- **Schedule:** The project is now being closed out.
- **Budget:** \$90,652 (any remaining design, additional construction and inspection)
- **Funding:** \$90,652 (PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund), \$12,500 (LVRT, Inc.), and land donation (\$60,000) & lot construction (\$30,000) by developer (Louie Hurst).

Williams Atlantic Sunrise Community Grant for Rail-Trail:

- **Current Phase:** Received the check for \$10,000 and waiting for notice to proceed once a contractor is selected to design and install a new trailhead sign at the Lawn Trailhead and to complete other improvements at that location.
- **Schedule:** Work will be completed in the spring of 2017
- **Budget/Funding:** \$10,000 grant and \$2,500 from County/LVRT, Inc. for bidding and construction inspection

Phase 7 – Shared Use Path in N. Lebanon Township:

- **Current Phase:** Grant applications approved by DCNR and PennDOT; late phases of project development (design) are now underway; ROW issue had slowed the project.
- **Type Project:** Development of 1.8 mile shared use path on railbed. From 25th Street to Long Lane in N. Lebanon Township and includes a 24-space trailhead and transit stop along 25th Street
- **Schedule:** Construction possibly beginning in mid-2017
- **Budget:** estimated at \$2,300,000 (design, construction and inspection)
- **Funding:** \$265,000 (DCNR), \$617,694 (PennDOT Statewide TAP Funds), \$482,306 (LEBCO MPO STP Funds) and \$733,905 (LEBCO MPO STU Funds) for a current total of \$2,098,905.

Phase 5 – Shared Use Path in the City of Lebanon:

- **Current Phase:** Construction complete; closed out the contract with DCNR
- **Type Project:** Development of 1.0 mile shared use path in the City including 6 intersections with curbs, sidewalks, ADA accommodations and warning signs
- **Schedule:** Completed in the late summer of 2014
- **Budget:** \$695,000 (design, construction and inspection)
- **Funding:** \$518,000 LEBCO MPO Federal TE Funds and \$177,000 state DCNR funds
- **Non-Cash Match:** Red Horse Squadron donated \$75,000 in labor as a training mission

Trail Widening – Mount Gretna to Colebrook:

- **Current Phase:** Construction completed
- **Type Project:** Development for widening, re-surfacing and repairs along a 2.0 mile section of the existing trail that was originally built in 2000. The width was increased from 8 feet to 10 feet. Also included flood damage repairs
- **Schedule:** Completed in early 2013
- **Budget:** \$127,000 (design and construction)
- **Funding:** \$27,000 Federal FEMA Funds and \$100,000 state DCNR funds

Prior LVRT Railroad Property Acquisition – Lebanon to Lickdale:

- **Current Phase:** Acquisition completed of remaining railroad right-of-way
- **Schedule:** Completed in 2013
- **Budget:** \$109,000 (appraisal, survey and acquisition)
- **Funding:** \$23,000 (LVRT, Inc.) and \$86,000 state DCNR funds

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