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The Ohio State University Transportation Studio Developing Plan to Guide Central Ohio Greenway Development

Columbus, OH, January 24, 2019 - The Ohio State University's City and Regional Planning Department's Transportation Studio will be working with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), Columbus Recreation and Parks, and Central Ohio Greenways (COG) on the development of six new trail connections throughout the Central Ohio region. The City of Columbus has identified several areas in the COG network that could benefit from improved access and connectivity through new trail infrastructure, or loops, that merge and enhance the existing trail network. For the duration of the spring semester, the graduate studio will be examining local community needs, key corridors, and best practices to facilitate to these loops. The work done will be compiled into a final plan that outlines recommendations for loop prioritization based on increasing trail usage and addressing community needs while providing funding opportunities and implementation strategies.

The expansion of the COG network is an important step in creating new transportation connections between areas of the Central Ohio, encouraging sustainability goals outlined in MORPC's Sustainable2050 program and encouraging new development.

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