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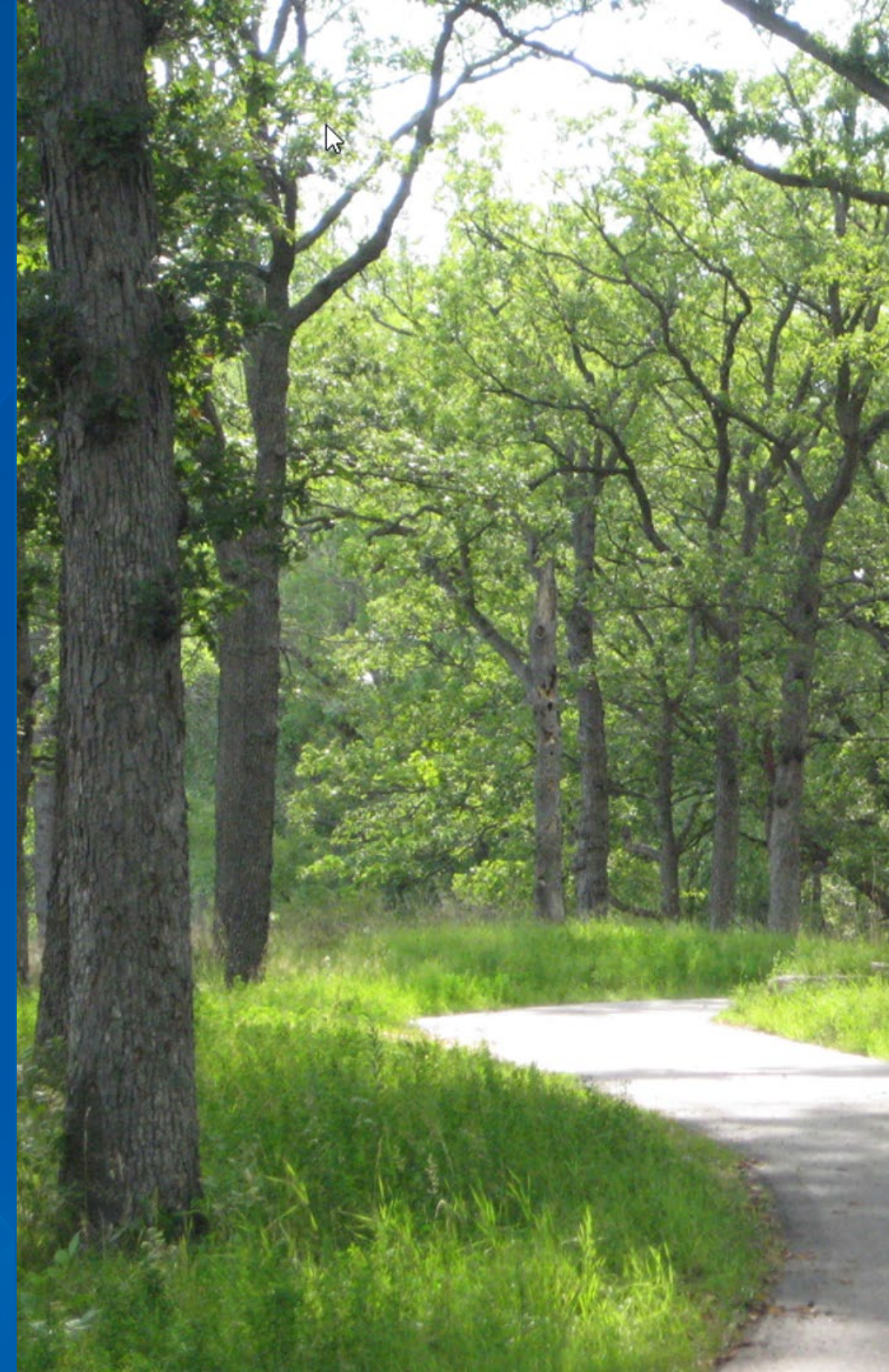
Rush Creek Regional Trail, Land-for-Facilities Exchange, Three Rivers Park District

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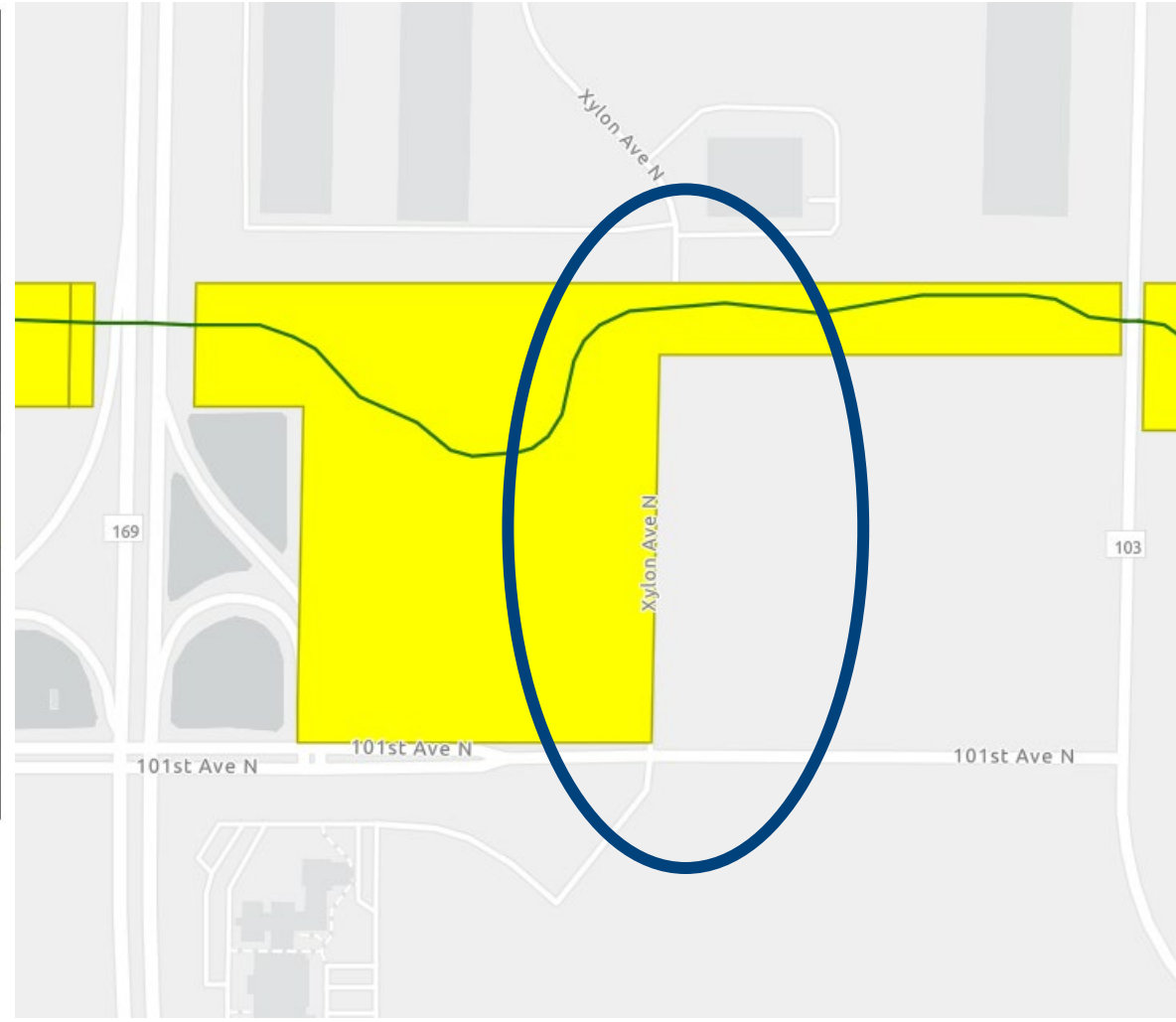
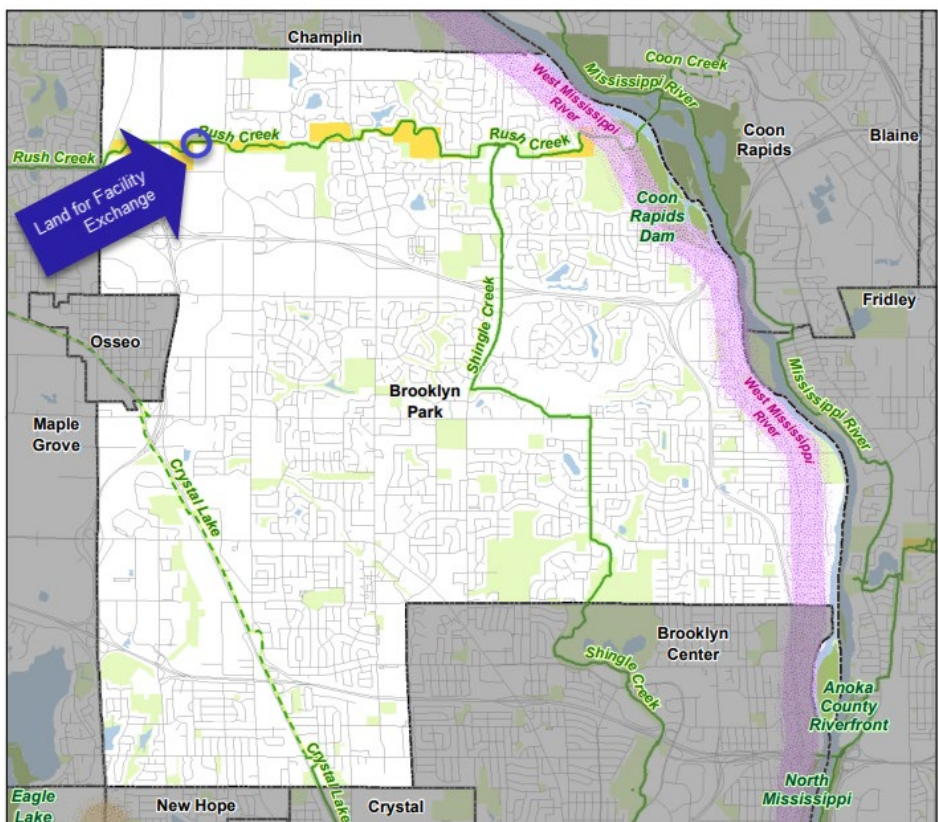
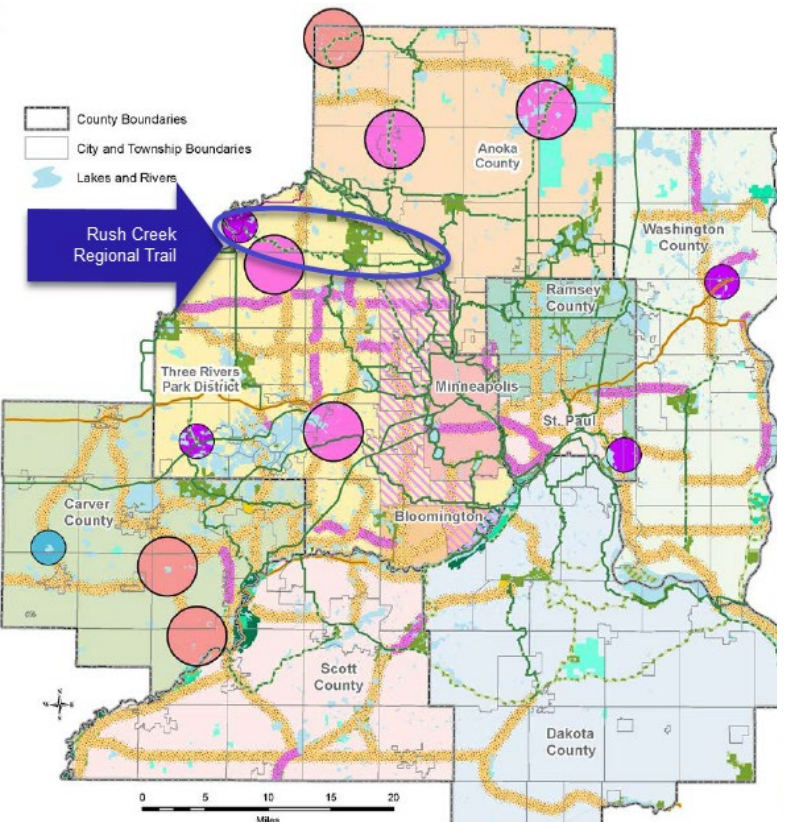
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Rush Creek Regional Trail Land-for-Facility Exchange



Land Conversion



Removal:

- 0.439 acres of regional trail land for permanent easements
- 5.40 acres of regional trail land for a temporary construction easement

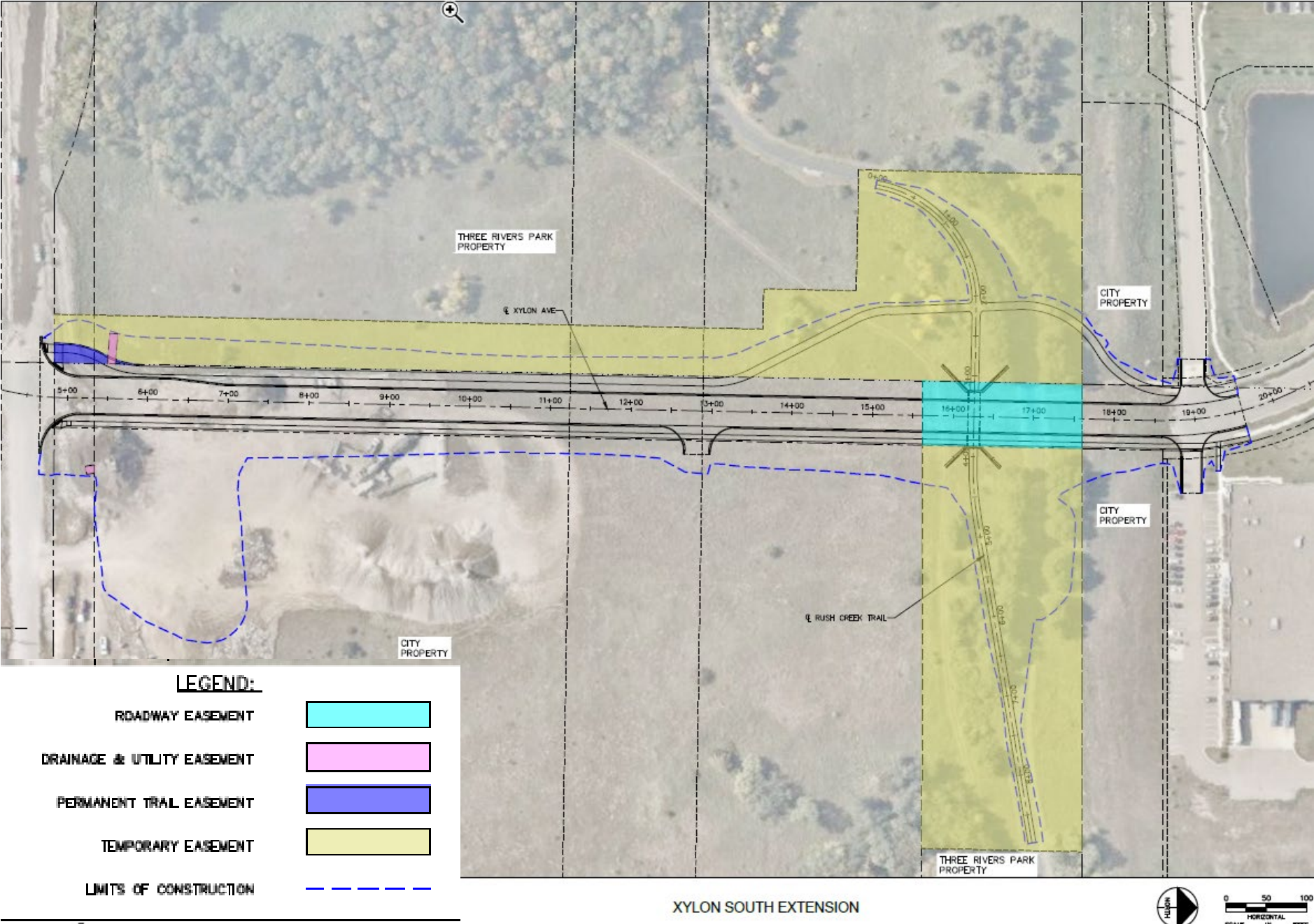
Replacement:

Two trail separated crossings at Xylon Avenue and Winnetka Road

Land Conversion	Value	Recreation Facility
Permanent easements – 0.439-acre	\$871,423	Trail Alignment
Temporary easement – 5.40 acres		
Replacement Facility – Xylon and Winnetka Grade-Separated Crossings	\$1,721,862- \$2,070,870	Two Safe Crossings

Two couples on tandem bikes on a trail in Elm Creek Regional Park Reserve.

Easement Locations



Rationale for Proposed Action



The Rush Creek Regional Trail Land-for-Facility Exchange is consistent with the requirements of the:

- 2040 Regional Parks Policy Plan
 - System Protection 2
 - Siting and Acquisition, General Criteria
- Other Council policies

Monarch butterfly caterpillar on milkweed at Minnehaha Regional Park.

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve the Rush Creek Regional Trail Land-for-Facilities exchange described in the body of this report.
2. Approve the consent to easement on 0.439 acres of land and consent to temporary easement on 5.40 acres of land within the Rush Creek Regional Trail corridor, as illustrated in Figure 3, in exchange for two grade separated trail crossings.
3. Require Three Rivers Park District, prior to initiating any new development of the regional trail corridor, to send preliminary plans to the Metropolitan Council's Environmental Services Interceptor Engineering Assistant Manager.

Thank you

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