

# Reading Area Transportation Study

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TO: Reading Area Transportation Study Technical Committee

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RE: *Berks County Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan*, Draft Revised Mapping for Adoption

DATE: January 27, 2022

In July, 2020, the RATS MPO formally adopted the [2020 Berks County Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan](#). One of our Steering Committee's recommendations was to take the list of proposed 'projects' contained in the Plan and try to create a more formalized 'Network' throughout the County. Over the past 18 months, staff has done so by adding some 'missing links' and extending and/or clarifying some others. Additionally, the maps were made more readable by changing some of the notations and by separating the Bicycle Projects from the Pedestrian Projects into distinct maps. The [revised draft maps are available](#) to review against the current Plan. These maps were provided to municipalities for their review and input; no responses were received. Staff desires to have these revised maps adopted by the RATS MPO in March, 2022 as a formal Amendment to the Plan. The only changes made were to the maps; no other changes to the adopted Plan have taken place or are proposed.

The maps are separated-out by [Planning Regions](#) in the Plan, along with overall County-Wide [Bicycle](#) and [Pedestrian](#) maps:

- [Hawk Mountain Region](#): Upper Tulpehocken, Upper Bern, Tilden, Centre, Centerport, Windsor, Hamburg, Perry, Shoemakersville, Richmond, Fleetwood, Albany, Greenwich, Lenhartsville, Kutztown, Maxatawny, Maiden creek, Lyons
- [Oley Hills Region](#): Alsace, Ruscombmanor, Oley, Pike, Rockland, Earl, Topton, Longswamp, Hereford, Washington, Bally, Bechtelsville, Boyertown, Colebrookdale, District
- [Southern Highlands Region](#): Exeter, St. Lawrence, Amity, Douglass, Robeson, Union, Birdsboro, Brecknock, Caernarvon, New Morgan
- [Tulpehocken Region](#): Bethel, Tulpehocken, Marion, Penn, Jefferson, Bernville, Lower Heidelberg, South Heidelberg, North Heidelberg, Heidelberg, Wernersville, Robesonia, Womelsdorf
- [Metro Region](#): Ontelaunee, Bern, Muhlenberg, Laureldale, Reading, Leesport, Lower Alsace, Mount Penn, Cumru, Spring, Wyomissing, Kenhorst, Mohnton, Shillington, West Reading, Sinking Spring

Staff originally requested a Technical Committee recommendation at the January 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. At that meeting, some Committee members requested additional time to review the maps. At the February 3<sup>rd</sup> Technical Committee meeting, staff will again be asking the Committee to make a recommendation for approval of the Draft *Berks County Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan Revised Maps* to the Coordinating Committee. If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call (Ext. 6304) or email. ([mgolembiewski@countyofberks.com](mailto:mgolembiewski@countyofberks.com)).

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Attach: (Link) [Draft Berks County Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan](#)  
(Link) [Draft Revised Maps for Review/Recommendation](#)