

Torch Lake Township Open House - Comment Card Responses

August 23, 2023

	Alignment A: West Side US-31		Alignment B: East Side US-31	
Are you a property owner adjacent to the proposed alignments?	Alignment A: How satisfied are you with the proposed trail alignment on the West Side of US-31?*	Alignment A: What are we missing? Please share anything that was not captured and any other comments pertaining to the alignment on the West Side of US-31.	Alignment B: How satisfied are you with the proposed trail alignment on the East Side of US-31?*	Alignment B: What are we missing? Please share anything that was not captured and any other comments pertaining to the alignment on the East Side of US-31.
Yes	Dissatisfied	We hunt behind our house.	Satisfied	They have utilities there that would be perfect.
Yes	Somewhat Satisfied	I think using the GLE utility easement behind my house is a great option! So many less driveway cuts and if you had to get back on 31 at Eastport to get to Old Dixie Hwy, you wouldn't have to cross 31 to do it!		How can I help?
No		W/ the potential of the trail being on the E coming N out of ER it would be nice to keep it on that side - Also there's public land on the NE corner of M-88 that potentially could offer parking, restrooms, etc.	Satisfied	
No	Satisfied	Start at airport	Neutral	
Yes	Neutral		Satisfied	Corner of M88 and 31 the county owns wedge property and might be good parking lot. How about an on demand traffic light. This would keep traffic flow except when people need to cross.
No	Somewhat Satisfied	Ride is potentially less enticing due to narrower driveways and shade from the adjacent woods. More businesses are on east side.	Satisfied	
No	Neutral	The houses north of Torch Village too close to road. Love idea of stop at airport.	Somewhat Satisfied	Need serious safety/crossing options
No	Somewhat Satisfied		Neutral	
No	Satisfied		Somewhat Satisfied	
No	Somewhat Satisfied	Tunnels or bridges crossing NeutralSatisfied are a must. Airport access point is very attractive.	Neutral	Distance from NeutralSatisfied for either route matters.
Yes	Satisfied		Satisfied	
Yes	Dissatisfied	Property devaluation, privacy	Neutral	
Yes	Satisfied	Need to start south at Torchport Airport where I could put in or [illegible] parking available There is [illegible] and public restroom available. Plus the terminal building has a gas station at one point so we would have air available.	Dissatisfied	

No	Satisfied	Would love a traffic light at intersection of 31/88. Very concerning crossing area.	Somewhat Dissatisfied	People will want to get to the lake and there will therefore be more issues w/ crossing.
No	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Crossing 31 will be dangerous and a nightmare! Bikers will not cross over a bridge that we have to carry our bikes up and down steps (just like bridge at State Park in TC - no one uses it!)	Somewhat Satisfied	Prefer to remain on west side and continue riding bikes w/o crossing NeutralSatisfied.
No	Somewhat Satisfied		Neutral	
No	Satisfied		Satisfied	
No	Somewhat Satisfied	Very difficult in summer to enter US-31 from side roads. Bikes at intersections could make it more dangerous.	Somewhat Satisfied	Same as above (Option A)
Yes	Satisfied	Concerned about the crossing from 31 to M88 it's already dangerous.	Dissatisfied	
Yes	Satisfied	We own property along the west side of NeutralSatisfied. What happens to our mail boxes? We have lots of trouble in our area with children riding on ORV's. How will this be controlled?	Satisfied	
No	Somewhat Dissatisfied	The Torch Bay Preserve has inadequate parking, and just rented porta-potties (2) for the first time this summer. This would be a terrible start/end point. Concern about enforcing non motorized use which is a problem in the preserve.	Somewhat Satisfied	Day Park has good bathrooms but is crowded. Not a great start/end point.
No	Somewhat Dissatisfied	The land around the municipal building on west side - lots of hunting goes on in fall and winter. No Torch Lake - west side ok. [illegible] of T.L. - not as great.	Somewhat Satisfied	
No	Satisfied		Satisfied	
Yes	Dissatisfied	One need access to undeveloped property away from US-31 Like from Barnes Park directly to Old Dixie away from US31 All car accidents are on 31. Don't ride or walk near it except for getting to stores and parking. I suggest parking at the cell tower area off Barnes Rd.	Dissatisfied	See above (A). Fortunately there are no roundabouts on NeutralSatisfied Barnes to Old Dixie. They are dangerous. I have been biking in Eastport for [illegible] Dissatisfied0 years and will note ride near USNeutralSatisfied! I start at Barnes and Old Dixie, even in between.