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Project timeline, process, and community engagement

The planning process for the Off-road Cycling Master Plan kicked off in earnest in January. The Plan will be developed in four phases (<https://t.e2ma.net/click/4i2oqbb/o260gqc/kzln8le>), over the course of 2016:

Discovery phase (January through March)

This phase will help establish a vision and goals for the project and lay the groundwork for understanding off-road cycling needs in the community as well as impacts and benefits. The project website, Project Advisory Committee (which will meet throughout the planning process) and an interactive online map tool will offer Portlanders ways to learn about and add their ideas to the planning process.

Analysis phase (March through June)

This phase will focus on reaching out to the Portland community to gather feedback on how the City might provide a variety of off-road cycling experiences and how to determine which sites are most appropriate. Community members can lend their ideas to this phase by talking directly with the project team at a project open house and a youth-focused event as well as at various community events, and through the online map tool.

System planning phase (June through September)

This phase will carefully consider how the City might develop a system of off-road cycling trails and facilities that meets the goals of the Plan and is accessible by bike and transit. Community members will have many opportunities to add their ideas to this phase, including a second project open house and youth-focused event, the online map tool, and at conversations focused on specific proposed locations.

Draft Plan phase (September to December 2016)

During this phase, the project team will develop a draft Master Plan, including design and management recommendations and implementation strategies. The draft plan will be refined based on community input and then presented to City Council for adoption. Community members will be able to comment on the draft plan at an open house, on the project website, and directly to City Council.

