

**Southeast Study Group-Eastside Trail Extension 50% Design Update
Trees Atlanta**

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Q: Do the plans include a staging area for pedestrians and cyclists at Irwin Street?

A: Not at this time though it could be considered. To the North of Irwin Street there are severe space limitations. The Irwin crossing will likely have a HAWK signal or Rapid Flashing Beacon.

Q: How does the trail get from Dekalb Avenue to Wylie Street?

A: Pedestrians will use the existing walkway inside the western portion of the Krog Tunnel. A scramble phase is being considered subject to concurrence from the City for the traffic signals which would allow pedestrians and cyclists to cross from both directions while all traffic is stopped.

Q: Where are the access points north of the Krog Tunnel?

A: There will be an access point at Irwin Street, Edgewood Avenue and DeKalb Avenue.

Q: How long will construction take?

A: Until a contractor is hired, it is impossible to say but it is hoped that the project can be constructed in 18-24 months.

Q: Will one contractor complete the entire project?

A: Yes.

Q: Will the Atlanta BeltLine resurface the Krog Tunnel?

A: No. The scope of this project only includes lighting upgrades and bringing the handrails into ADA compliance.

Q: If a tunnel under Hulsey Yard is built for transit, will a trail be built through the tunnel as well?

A: It appears that building a trail alongside transit may be feasible. The transit alignment however has not been determined and will be refined during the current environmental assessment work.

Q: Some of the trees behind houses on Kenyon Street have white tags. Are they being removed?

A: There will be tree removal, though the white tags do not indicate such removal. These trees most likely were not picked up on the original survey and the tape defines which ones needed to be added. Trees that will be removed will have a red "X" placed on them as part of the permitting process.

Q: Will the Memorial Plaza be considered a gathering space?

A: The plaza is primarily a place for trail users to gather before crossing Memorial or heading north on the trail. There will likely be a bench.

Q: Will the arboretum continue on the Eastside Trail Extension?

A: Yes.

Q: What will the streetscape project along Memorial Drive from the Bill Kennedy Way to Boulevard look like?

A: That project is in the long range Master Plan and not part of this scope of work.

Q: Will the trail along Wylie need to be rebuilt when transit is built?

A: No. The trail is being placed in its final location and Wylie Street is being designed to accommodate Transit in the future.

Q: Is the city responsible for the sidewalks in the Krog Street tunnel?

A: Yes.

Q: Will there be lighting near Irwin Street?

A: Yes.

Q: Will there be any retaining walls built?

A: One retaining wall will be built near the Lofts at Reynoldstown Crossing.

Q: Will the project include the Big Belly trash receptacles and other trail amenities?

A: It will likely include such amenities.

Q: Will the mural on the Mauldin/Fulton Terrace bridge be removed?

A: The abutment walls are being demolished and replaced which means the mural will be removed as well.

Q: Will at grade crossing include bollards and if so, can they be artistic?

A: At grade crossings include bollards and they are currently planned to match the style of the ones on the northern section.

Q: What is the path on the plans just north of Kirkwood?

A: This will likely be a mulch or stone dust path that meanders through the woods next to the paved trail.

Q: Will the ramp at Fulton Terrace/Mauldin need to be moved for transit?

A: The ramp will not, but the connection at the top to the trail will.

Q: Is there a plan for a park above and the north of H. Harper Station?

A: There will not be a full blown park, but ABI is in talks with the Department of Watershed Management about creating some type of lookout and lingering space with views of the city.

Q: How will cyclist cross Memorial Drive?

A: A design that accommodates cyclists is still being considered.

Q: How long will it be before a contractor is selected?

A: ABI will advertise for a contractor midsummer and construction will likely start in late summer or early fall.

Q: Will the sharrows stay on Wylie Street?

A: Yes.

Q: What will the trail crossing at Wylie Street look like?

A: It will be made of the same trail material. The overall trail will not be sandblasted on one side. Instead, a sandblasted strip will run down the center of the trail to designate direction of travel.

Q: Will there be a rapid flashing beacon or HAWK signal at the Wylie Street crossing?

A: We will have to coordinate this item with the City but it is likely that some sort of warning system will be installed.

Q: What is a HAWK signal?

A: A HAWK signal is a "High-Intensity Activated crosswalk" beacon which is a traffic signal used to stop road traffic and allow pedestrians to cross safely.

Q: Will the CSX walls along Wylie Street be removed?

A: No.

Q: How will the project be staged or phased?

A: Until there is a contractor on board, we do not know. However, when we have selected a contractor, we will return to the community to introduce him/her, and we will be able to answer this and similar questions at that time.

Q: How will bikes traverse the Krog Tunnel?

A: Bike traffic should use the eastside of the tunnel.

Q: What will the lighting along the trail look like?

A: It will be the same lighting that is in Old Fourth Ward Park.

Q: Will any trees along the northside of Wylie Street be removed?

A: Yes and they will be replaced although the narrow space of 2'-8" between the edge of the trail and the curb will restrict the type(s) of the trees that can be installed.