

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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Dear Property Owner,

As you may know, Phase 1 of the Boyne City to Charlevoix Non-motorized Trail was completed this year. We're now preparing for construction of Phase 2 of the Trail, which is planned for 2017. Phase 2 will begin at the Little Traverse Wheelway along US-31, east of Waller Rd. It will cross US-31 at the AmericInn hotel and follow easements across private property, south to Boyne City Road, east of the Argonne Supper Club. The Trail will then run parallel to, but separate from Boyne City Road within the right-of-way on the Susan Lake side of the road, ending at Quarterline Rd. At the point where the trail meets Boyne City Road east of the Argonne Supper Club, a trail spur will run west within the right-of-way on the north side of the road to Eastern Avenue to create an access point for Pine Point Subdivision.

In preparation for trail construction, clearing of trees and brush cut down this past Spring along the Phase 2 route will take place from mid-November to the end of this year. You will likely see crews operating large construction equipment in places along the trail route, working to clear away the previously cut vegetation. Construction of Phase 2 is scheduled from early April to the end of July 2017.

Also, we'd like to invite you to an upcoming **informational session** regarding Phase 2 of the Trail, which will be held on **Saturday December 10, 2016** at **10:00 a.m.** at the **Hayes Township Hall**, located at 09195 Old U.S. 31 N. This session is primarily to give property owners and residents along the Phase 2 Trail route an opportunity to learn more about our construction plans and to ask questions or discuss concerns. Others who are interested are also welcome to attend, as this session is open to the public. At the beginning of the session, we'll provide a brief overview of Phase 2 and then open up the discussion for general question and answer. Following the presentation, attendees will have the opportunity to view the construction plans, ask questions, and discuss any property-specific concerns individually with members of the project team. Light refreshments will also be provided. We hope you can attend!

We've also set up a webpage dedicated to the trail on the County website at www.charlevoixcounty.org. On the site, you'll find a description of each phase of the planned trail, a list of project partners and funding sources, and project status updates. If you have any questions regarding the planned tree clearing, the December 10th informational session, or the trail project in general, please feel free to contact me at (231) 547-7234 or planning@charlevoixcounty.org.

Sincerely,

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