Canosia Township Trails Plan

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Canosia Township Landmarks and Current Trails

1 - Canosia WMA Lavaque Access
2 - Canosia WMA Usglade Access
3 - Canibou Lake Boat Access
4 - 20-Acres Industrial Rd.
5 - 40-Acres on Helm Rd.
6 - Pike Lake Boat Access
   Canosia Town Hall
   Golf Course
   AAA Auto Club
7 - Pike Lake Elementary
   School Forest Trail
8 - Four Corners Business District
9 - Hermantown Schools
   Future Munger Trail Spur
   Future Health and Wellness Center

Legend
- Township Boundary

Paths and Trails
- On Street Bikeway
- Hunter walking trails
- Pike Lake School Trail
- Snowmobile Trails

Public Land Ownership
- MN Power
- St Louis Co
- State of MN
- Township

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Canosia Township Trails Plan Survey

84 Total Responses

October 3, 2016 – November 4, 2016

The 12 question survey was released at the October 3rd Public Meeting at Canosia Township Hall and promoted through the township newsletter, social media, the Proctor Journal, and more.
Highlights of the survey

- **93.8%** of respondents reported that they were supportive or very supportive of trail development or enhancements.

- **81%** of respondents reported that they lived nearest to Pike Lake or Caribou Lake.

- Those who currently walk or bicycle do so mostly on township roads and not on existing trails.

- The three highest reasons for not currently walking or bicycling more often were a lack of trails/pathways, lack of awareness of existing trails, and destinations are too far apart.

- One of the most important goals to respondents was to inform the community of already existing trails.
Highlights of the survey

- Majority of respondents would like to use trails for walking, hiking, cross-country skiing, trail biking, and snowshoeing.

- Majority of respondents would like paths to be off-street (not mixing with motorized vehicles) and prefer them to be natural surface or paved trails.

- Out of all the destinations, landmarks, and goals – the respondents didn’t have an overwhelming favorite. The responses indicated that they were in favor of almost any trail improvements or development within the township. There were a few ideas that seem to have a little more support than others – Connection to the Munger Spur Trail/Schools/Future Health and Wellness Center in Hermantown, utilizing existing trails and publicly owned lands, and connecting the township lakes by trail.
Next Steps

Feb – Determine Short, Mid, and Long Term Goals. Determine Potential Alignments

Spring 2017 – Gather final existing conditions materials and start developing the planning document

Summer 2017 – Release draft trails plan
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