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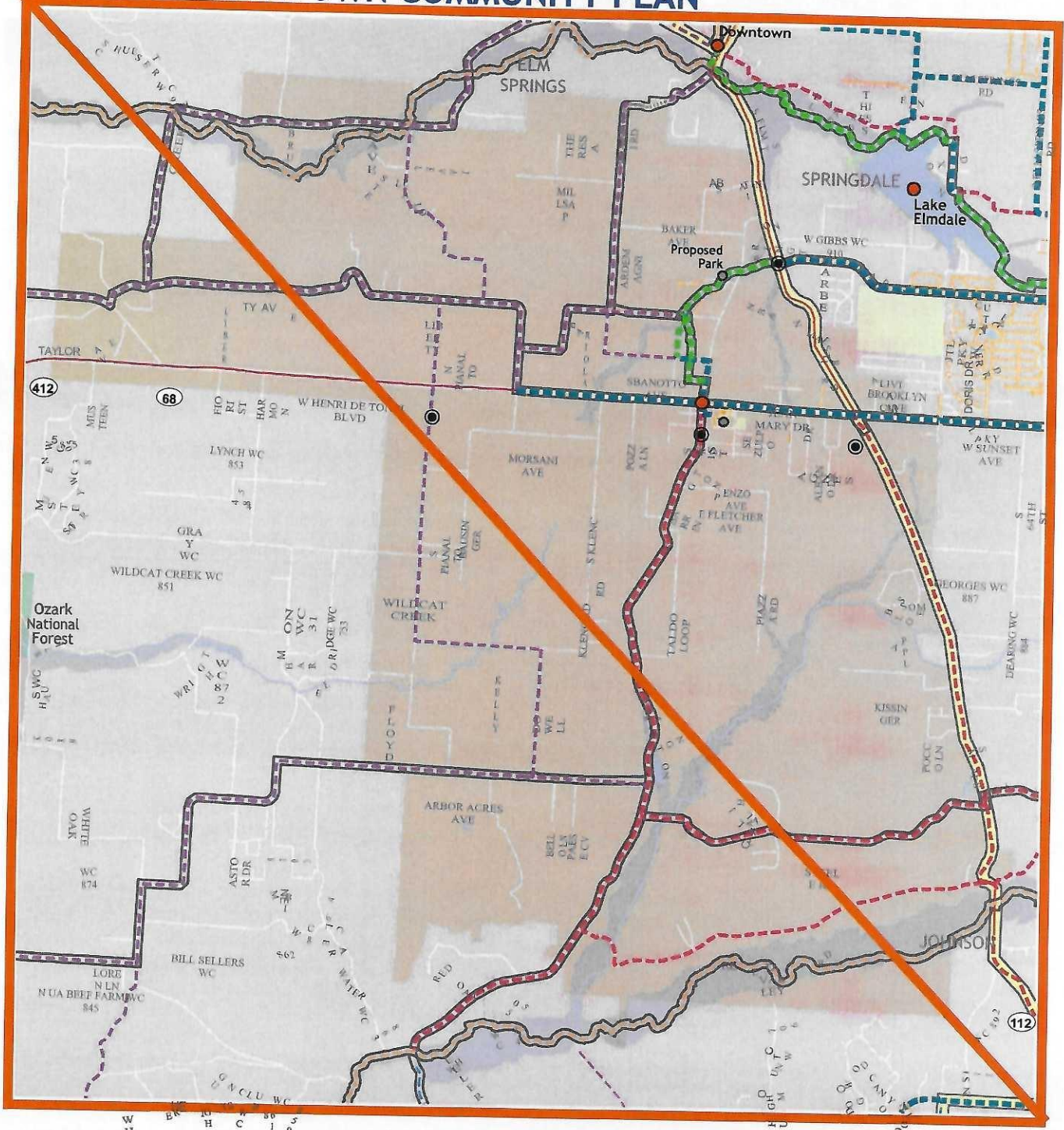
REGIONAL LOCATION MAP



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MAP 6.24 TONTITOWN COMMUNITY PLAN

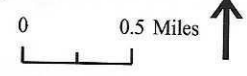


- Razorback Greenway
- Regional Network
- Heritage Trail
- Regional Destination
- Local Destination
- School

- Shared Use Facilities**
- Proposed Shared Use Paved Trail
 - Existing Shared Use Paved Trail
 - Proposed Sidepath
 - Existing Sidepath
 - Proposed Natural Surface Trail
 - Existing Natural Surface Trail
 - Crossing Improvement

- Bicycle Facilities**
- Proposed Separated Bikeway
 - Existing Separated Bikeway
 - Existing Shared Roadway
 - Proposed Shared Roadway
 - Gravel Grinding Route

- Proposed Shoulder Improvement
 - Existing Shoulder
- Pedestrian Facilities**
- Proposed Sidewalk
 - Existing Sidewalk
 - Neighborhood/Park Trails





Key Needs & Recommendations for Tontitown

Topic	Key Needs & Notes
<i>Regional Needs</i>	» Provide links through the downtown area. Connect to surrounding communities and identify opportunities to connect to Lake Wedington, <u>and to the Razorback Greenway.</u>
<i>Other Key Needs</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Provide links to Sbanotto Park (Sbanotto Park - also identify opportunities for potential park site). » Improve neighborhood connectivity. » Improve Har-Ber Avenue connectivity. » Provide safe crossings of US 412. » <u>Provide links to elementary school</u> » <u>Provide connections to key commercial areas</u>
Facility Recommendation	Recommendation Detail
<i>Sidewalks <u>and Trails</u></i>	» Residential Areas: Continue developing sidewalks <u>and trails</u> with new residential <u>and commercial</u> development.
<i>Intersections</i>	» AR 412 Crossings: Crossing improvements needed along AR 412 at the Barrington Road, <u>Klenc Road, Pinalto Road, and</u> and AR 112 intersections. Other intersection the network develops.
<i>On-Street Bike Facilities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Shoulder Improvements: Add paved shoulder along <u>AR 112 and the southern section of</u> Barrington Road, <u>Reed Valley, and Steele Road</u> to provide a safer space for cyclists and cars. » Shared Roadways: <u>the western portion of</u> Liberty Avenue, <u>Ardemagni Road,</u> Sbanotto Avenue, Javello Road, <u>—Brush Creek Road, North and South Pinalto Road, Martegani Road, Barick Street, Kelly Ave,</u> Steele Road, and Reed Valley Road provide lower traffic links in and through Tontitown.
<i>Shared Use Facilities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Shared Use Paved Trail - Town center to Har-Ber Avenue <u>along Barrington Road:</u> Develop shared use paved trail connecting the town center of Tontitown to Har-Ber Avenue (linking toward Har-Ber Avenue Springdale High School). » Sidepath - US 412: Develop sidepath along US 412, <u>AR Hwy. 112, Fletcher Ave, and the easeterm portion of Liberty Ave.</u> linking the town center with business clusters and residential areas toward Springdale.
Other Topics	Notes
<i>Multi-Modal Connections</i>	» Tontitown is not directly connected by public transit. Ozark Regional Transit serves the urban NWA corridor.
<i>Heritage Trail</i>	» The NWA Heritage Trail connects north/south through Tontitown along AR 112 toward Elm Springs and Johnson/Fayetteville.



Program & Policy Recommendations

The table below presents a summary of recommendations organized by category which identifies the recommended program, time-frame for implementation, and lead entity. The table identifies Bronze (short-term), Silver (mid-term) and Gold (long-term) actions that can help achieve recognition as a Walk and Bicycle Friendly Community.

For many of these actions, there is an opportunity for the communities of the region to share resources, with individual communities participating in regional programs, attending trainings or meetings convened at the regional scale, or implementing regionally developed programs at the local level. Recommendations specific to the Six E's (Engineering, Education, Encouragement, Enforcement, and Evaluation (with Equity considered broadly through all)) are found below. Economy is included as an additional category to help demonstrate the benefits of implementing all of the E's. Refer to Appendix D for detailed guidance on implementing each item, including a description of recommended actions, regional and local roles, as well as sample programs.

Program	Term	Lead Entity
Engineering		
Complete Streets Policy	Medium Short	City of Tontitown
Non-Motorized Transportation Training for Engineers and Planners	Short	NWARPC, City of Tontitown
Bicycle Parking	Medium	NWARPC, Northwest Arkansas Council, City of Tontitown
Enhanced Funding for Bike and Pedestrian Projects	Medium	NWARPC, City of Tontitown
Bike/Pedestrian Facility Inclusion in Engineering Documents, Plans, and Drawings	Short	NWARPC, City of Tontitown
Education		
Network with existing capacity in NWA	Medium	City of Tontitown, City of Fayetteville, City of Bentonville, City of Rogers, City of Springdale, Bike Bentonville, BCO, IMBA
Encouragement		
Walking and Biking Promotion Activities	Short	City of Tontitown
Equity Oriented Programs	Short	NWARPC, Northwest Arkansas Council, City of Tontitown
Bike and Walk Month	Medium	City of Tontitown
Group Rides and Walks	Medium	City of Tontitown
Enforcement		
Targeted Bicycle and Pedestrian Enforcement	Short	City of Tontitown Law Enforcement
Trainings for Law Enforcement Officers	Short	NWARPC, City of Tontitown Law Enforcement
Bike and Foot Patrol Units	Medium	City of Tontitown Law Enforcement
Annual Meeting with Police, Planners and Engineers to Evaluate Collision Trends, Infrastructure Needs and Areas for Targeted Enforcement	Medium	NWARPC, City of Tontitown
Evaluation		
Active Transportation Committee	Short	NWARPC, City of Tontitown
Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Trail Count Program	Short	City of Tontitown
Walking, Bicycling and Trails Report Card	Medium	City of Tontitown
Economy		
Bicycle and Walking Tourism Strategy	Medium	Northwest Arkansas Council, City of Tontitown



EXHIBIT

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