

## **80A - Tallassee Road Connector Shared Use-Path**

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**Original Project Total Cost: \$ 9,465,000**

**Total Operating Cost: \$ 97,000**

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**Alternate Project Total Cost: \$ 6,858,000**

**Alternate Total Operating Cost: No change**

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**Project Description:** There are two main methods for reducing costs on during shared-use path construction: 1) narrow the path or 2) shorten the path. Reducing the width of the path to 10 feet wide can reduce the construction costs to \$207 per linear foot. Shortening the path to end at Burney Harris Lyons Middle School reduces the length of the trail from 4.5 miles (as estimated by Athens in Motion) to 3.5 miles as measured on google maps. It still creates a connection to Tallassee Forest.

Shortening the trail does mean people living along Three Oaks Drive Prospect Church Road, and the eastern stretch of Tallassee will not have easy access to the path. But! Reducing the length of the trail lowers the construction cost to \$3,825,360 (down from \$5.5 million); thereby reducing the overall cost by \$3 million dollars.

**Attachments:**

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