

**CMAQ PROJECT**  
**Sanders Ferry/Drakes Creek Bike Trail**  
**Hendersonville, TN**

**1. Project Description**

Construct concrete and asphalt bike trails 5 and 8 feet in width along Sanders Ferry Road and Drakes Creek/Old Hickory Lake from 31E/Main Street to Sanders Ferry Park a distance of 26,060 feet. This trail will run along the east side of the entire length of Walton Ferry Peninsula along the west side of Drakes Creek/Old Hickory Lake. Some trails will be adjacent to Sanders Ferry Road. Other parts of this trail will be off-road and adjacent to Drakes Creek/Old Hickory Lake. In some locations fill rock and dirt and retaining walls and railing will be necessary. In some of these locations the trail will be a boardwalk over the water's edge.

This trail will connect with the existing trail system which connects with Memorial Park, Kids Kingdom and Hendersonville High School. It will also connect with the existing trail system which extends north from Main Street along Drakes Creek through Drakes Creek Park to Veterans Park on the north side of the City. These trails were funded by a TDOT Enhancement grant.

This trail traverses Mallard Point, a popular public space on Drakes Creek/Old Hickory Lake used for fishing and boat access. Two marinas are located on this proposed trail – Creekwood Marina and Drakes Creek Marina.

The southern terminus of the trail is Sanders Ferry Park. This is a large Army Corps of Engineers park equipped with picnic pavilions, frisbee golf, model airplane flying area, fishing, boat docks and ramps.

This trail will make it possible for the estimated 15,000 people who live on the Walton Ferry Peninsula to bike or walk to and from the following destinations:

- Sanders Ferry Park
- Mallard Point
- Memorial Park/Kids Kingdom/Tennis Courts
- Drakes Creek Park
- Hendersonville High School
- Ellis Middle School
- Nannie Berry Elementary School
- Town Center
- Waterford Crossing
- Creekwood Marina
- Drakes Creek Marina

## **2. Project Budget**

This project will be divided into two phases and will span three years. Phase 1 will span FY 2012 and 2013 and will include design and construction of the trail from 31E to Mallard Point / Hickory Heights. Funding in the City's FY 2012 will have \$350,000 available. Funding for FY 2013 – 2014 will be \$788,000.

## **3. Project Schedule, Milestones, Description of Task**

Design	June 2012 – November 2012
Easements	December 2013 – March 2013
Construction	April 2013 – May 2014

Multiple phases may be considered once design begins and construction estimates can be delivered. The bridge shown on the plan will not be in this phase of design and will be included at a later date.