

PROJECT REQUEST FORM

1) Project Name:	<i>Bike Facility Warner Blvd S. Atherton St to Oak Hall Park</i> - Installation of a bike path from the intersection of Warner Boulevard/South Atherton Street/Shingletown Road to the Village of Oak Hall		
2) Project Location:	Harris Township		
3) Applicant:	Harris Township		
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9) City:	Boalsburg	10) Zip Code:	16827

11) Project Type (please check only one):		
A) Bicycle/Pedestrian Facility	x	Route #: 3010
B) Bridge - Local System		Route #:
C) Bridge - State System		Route #:
D) Highway		Route #:
E) Public Transportation		Route:
F) Rail		Line:
G) Other		

12) Please attach a location map and photo(s). <i>*8.5 x 11 maps are preferred and please submit no more than 3 photos*</i>

13) Please provide a brief (one or two sentence) description of the project : Harris Township respectfully requests the installation of a bike path from the intersection of Warner Boulevard/South Atherton Street/Shingletown Road to the Village of Oak Hall.
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14) Please describe the project being requested, specifically what issues/problems are present and how this project will improve conditions: Warner Boulevard is a popular road for bicyclists, as many travel from the Linden Hall/Oak Hall areas to the South Atherton Street pathway. Creating a bike path along this stretch of road will increase safety for bicyclists, who often face conflict with the motor vehicles that travel this road. In 2006, a bicyclist was struck and killed along this stretch of road as he made his way home from his job in State College.

SAFETY & SECURITY

Do you believe this project will:

15) Reduce crash rate?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i> In 2006, a bicyclist was struck and killed along this stretch of roadway. The potential for conflict between motor vehicles and bicyclists is high.			

16) Reduce conflicts between motorized and non-motorized transportation modes (Pedestrian/Bicycle/Buggy)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain and note if a pedestrian/bicycle/buggy amenity will be maintained or added as part of the project:</i> Warner Boulevard is a popular spot for bicyclists. Unfortunately, it isn't necessarily a safe stretch of roadway, as a bicyclist was killed along Warner Boulevard in 2006. This bike path would help to ensure that those commuting to State College or biking to Oak Hall Regional Park have a safe place to ride that is free from conflict with motor vehicles.			

17) Improve intersection(s) and/or roadway alignment(s)?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain and note the intersection(s) that will be affected:</i>			

18) Improve the security of the traveling public (Ex. Improves upon incident response, establishes detour/evacuation routes, implements security features on public transportation vehicles and facilities)?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i>			

PRESERVATION OF THE EXISTING TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Do you believe this project will:

19) Prolong the useful life of the transportation system and infrastructure through reconstruction, rehabilitation and preventative maintenance?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
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If yes, please explain:

20) Rehabilitate and modernize public transportation facilities or fleet?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
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If yes, please explain:

21) Improve ride quality?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
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If yes, please explain and provide current International Roughness Index:

EFFICIENT SYSTEM MANAGEMENT & OPERATION

Do you believe this project will:

22) Reduce congestion, improve Level of Service and reduce travel times within the project area?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain and note how this project may impact adjacent routes/travel patterns:</i>			

23) Increase public transportation service frequency and capacity?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i>			

24) Improve system functionality through improvements such as signal upgrades, Intelligent Transportation System applications and access management approaches?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i>			

INTEGRATION & CONNECTIVITY OF THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Do you believe this project will:

25) Eliminate/overcome barriers (Ex. Closures, detours & delays, weight restrictions) in key corridors?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain and note official detour distances based on factors such as weight restrictions:</i>			

26) Establish/maintain intermodal connections?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i>			
This path could connect with the South Atherton Street pathway. This would provide a bicycle connection from State College to Oak Hall.			

27) Introduce new connections between existing travel patterns (Ex. Street connectivity, linking bicycle/pedestrian routes, connections between transit routes and providers)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i>			
If planned properly, this path could connect with the South Atherton Street pathway and provide a bicycle connection from State College to Oak Hall.			

28) Align residents with their destinations?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i>			

ACCESSIBILITY & MOBILITY OPTIONS FOR PEOPLE & FREIGHT

Do you believe this project will:

29) Improve public transportation services: routes, ride share opportunities, vanpools, and park & ride lots?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
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If yes, please explain and include projected ridership:

30) Improve pedestrian and bicycle facilities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
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If yes, please explain:

If planned properly, this path could connect with the South Atherton Street pathway and provide a bicycle connection from State College to Oak Hall.

31) Improve access to airports, freight distribution facilities or major industrial districts?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
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If yes, please explain:

32) Implement Complete Streets principles?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
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If yes, please explain:

This project will remove the conflict between bicyclists and motor vehicles by providing a safe pathway for bicyclists to travel on.

CONSISTENCY WITH PLANNED GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT AREAS

Do you believe this project will:

33) Be consistent with the following documents?			
A) County Comprehensive Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
B) Regional Comprehensive Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
C) Municipal Comprehensive Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
D) Municipal Zoning Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
E) Municipal Official Map	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

If yes to any of the above, please explain:

The Centre Region Comprehensive Plan specifically references promoting the improvement of air quality through developing alternatives that discourage the use of single-occupancy vehicles in the Centre Region.
 The Centre Region Comprehensive Plan also references "transportation projects and programs that provide support for a broad range of transportation options."
 This pathway is listed as number 6 on the Harris Township Official Map.

34) Improve/support the existing transportation infrastructure in existing & planned growth areas?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
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If yes, please explain:

Given its proximity to the South Atherton Street pathway, these bike paths could be connected. This would provide a bicycle connection from State College to Oak Hall.

35) Promotes Smart Growth Principles (Ex. walkable communities, fosters distinct communities & sense of place, supports integration of mixed land uses into communities)?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
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If yes, please explain:

36) Avoid negative impacts on communities and the environment?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
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If yes, please explain:

ENVIRONMENT & AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY

Do you believe this project will:

37) Improve air quality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i> A strong network of bike paths encourages more people to switch their commuting patterns from cars to bicycles.			

38) Promote energy conservation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i> Alternatives to commuting by motor vehicle help to lessen our dependence on oil.			

39) Avoid impacts on endangered or threatened species, key natural habitats, agricultural lands and historic & cultural resources?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i>			

40) Avoid impacts upon water resources (Ex. water recharge areas & exceptional value/high quality streams?)	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain and note which water resources may be affected:</i>			

ECONOMIC VITALITY

Do you believe this project will:

41) Improve access and/or enhance freight movement to regional & national economic centers?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i> 			

42) Encourage tourism?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i> This pathway will provide another means to access Oak Hall Regional Park. Depending on how this park is developed, it may become a destination location within the Centre Region. This pathway would also provide access to the Linden Loop and Brush Valley Road. Portions of Brush Valley Road are designated as a state bicycle route.			

43) Encourage infill development, the redevelopment of brownfield sites within reach of existing infrastructure & the overall redevelopment of core communities?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>If yes, please explain:</i> 			

PRIORITY

44) Is this your highest priority (#1) project?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<i>Highest priority projects will be granted a half-point (0.5) bonus. Entities requesting projects may submit only one highest priority project.</i>			

45) If this is not your #1 priority, what rank did you assign this project?	5
<i>Municipalities may submit as many projects as they wish. The CCMPO requests that you rank all of your candidate projects.</i>	

COST

46) What is the total estimated cost?	\$1,300,000
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47) What is the cost by project phase, if known?	
A) Preliminary Engineering	\$90,000
B) Final Design	\$90,000
C) Utilities	\$0
D) Right of Way	\$60,000
E) Construction	\$1,060,000