

Tell the Scandia City Council to SAVE THE GATEWAY STATE TRAIL EXTENSION



WHAT'S AT STAKE?

A paved state trail connecting Scandia to William O'Brien State Park.

On December 16, the Scandia City Council will vote on whether to award a construction contract for Phase I of the Gateway State Trail extension into Scandia — capping 25 years of planning and public input.

Rejecting the contract at this stage would jeopardize millions in grant dollars and halt a project slated for completion in 2026.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS



Provides **safe, family-friendly trail access** to William O'Brien State Park and Marine on St. Croix.



Offers **healthy outdoor recreation** for residents of all ages.



Backed by **25 years of community input** and planning.



Has **robust public support**, including a petition signed by 926 supporters.



Supports local businesses and promotes tourism.

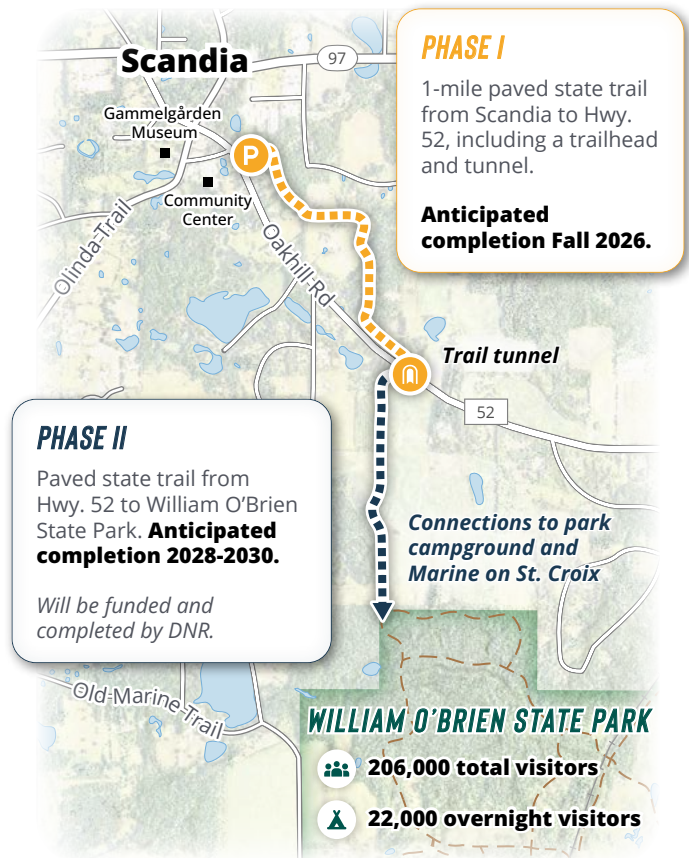
WHO'S PAYING FOR IT?

This project requires no city funding, and once completed, will be maintained by MNDNR. It's being paid for with county, state, and federal grants. If Scandia rejects these grants, they will be awarded elsewhere.

The cost to complete Phase I is approximately \$4.2 million, paid for with:

- **\$2.689 million** from the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR).
- **\$800,000** from Washington County.
- **\$750,000** from MNDNR (including a Federal Recreational Trail Grant).

PROJECT MAP



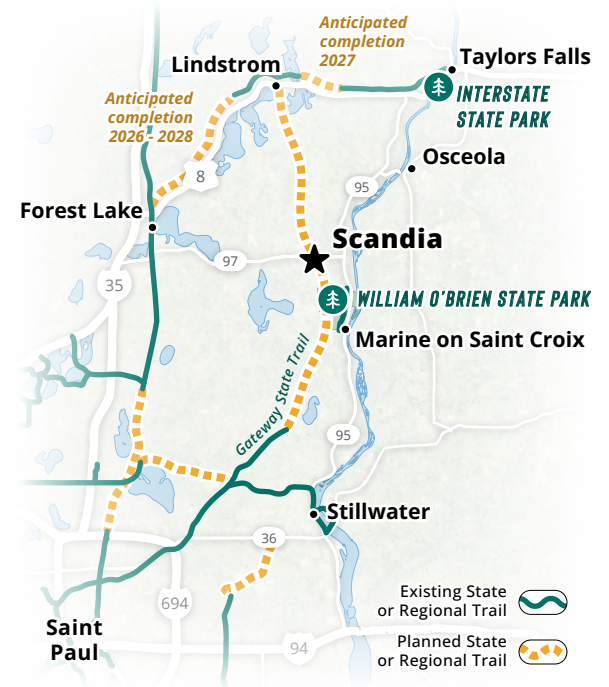
PROJECT TIMELINE

A TRAIL 25 YEARS IN THE MAKING...



REGIONAL TRAIL VISION

A CRITICAL TRAIL LINK



PROJECT SUPPORTERS

- Friends of Scandia Parks and Trails
- Gateway Brown's Creek Trail Association
- Parks & Trails Council of Minnesota
- Chisago Lakes Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau
- Cedarcliff Property Owners, Inc.
- Cycling Scandia
- Gammelgården Museum of Scandia
- Gateway Cycle
- Legislative Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources
- Minnesota DNR
- Scandia Heritage Alliance
- Scandia Parks and Recreation Committee
- St. Croix Valley Foundation
- Wahoo! Adventures
- Washington County
- Wild Rivers Conservancy

Funding for the Gateway State Trail extension was provided by the Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund as recommended by the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR).

