DEVELOPING REGIONAL TRAILS
NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS’ BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN NETWORK

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Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA)

12 Counties = 9,441 sq. mi.
209 cities
2015 Population Estimate = 7 million

**2040 Population Forecast = 10.6 million**
North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG)

- Agency Administration
- Community Services
- Emergency Preparedness
- Environment and Development
- Public Affairs
- Research and Information Services
- Transportation (MPO)
- Workforce Development
- Congestion Management and Systems Operation
- Sustainable Development
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Program
- Planning and Infrastructure Program
- Transit-Oriented Development Program
NCTCOG Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities

Planning & Design

Accessibility & Safety

Education & Outreach
Planning for a Range of Users

- Cycle
- Commute
- Recreation
- Walk
- Fitness
Regional ‘Veloweb’ Overview

- **Regional Expressway for Bicycle Transportation**

- **Off-street shared-use paths (trails)**
  Designed for use by bicyclists, pedestrians, and other non-motorized forms of active transportation

- **Transportation Mobility**
  Provides access to neighborhoods, schools, transit stops, employment centers, shopping, entertainment, parks, and other common daily trip destinations
Regional Veloweb Overview

Design Considerations

• Off-street shared-use paths
• Long-lasting impervious surfaces
• Recommended width of 12’ (min)
• Easy access from roadways, especially on-street bikeways
• Easy access to common trip destinations
• Few, if any, signalized stops or intersections

Photo: Cotton Belt Rail Trail, North Richland Hills
Regional Veloweb 2035

Existing or Funded (351 miles)
Planned and Unfunded (1,377 miles)
Total: 1,728 miles
Dallas County Trails and Bikeways
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Fort Worth to Dallas Regional Trail

Legend:
- **Green**: Existing or Funded
- **Red**: Planned and Unfunded
- **Blue**: Fort Worth – Dallas Regional Trail
Fort Worth to Dallas Regional Trail Corridor

- Downtown Fort Worth to Downtown Dallas
- Five Cities - Fort Worth, Arlington, Grand Prairie, Irving, and Dallas
- Combined route total distance - 64 miles
Within Two Miles of the Trail...

- Households: 213,996
- Population: 592,585
- Employment: 822,061

*2015 estimates
Making Connections for People
Jobs, Schools, Retail, Transit, Recreation and Natural Space
Showcasing Regional Assets
Four Regional Trail Corridors
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