



"The final trail alignments have not been adopted and at this point there is no funding, but there is the possibility of some funding that could be available from the Carolina Thread Trail," Hiatt said.

The most recent stretch of greenway completed by the City of Concord was the Harold B. McEachern Greenway Connector, a 0.52-mile stretch that opened to the public on June 29. The McEachern Greenway starts at the lower parking lot of Les Myers Park and extends to the traffic light at Branchview Drive and Lawndale Avenue. From there, it runs along the creek for about 5,000 feet to the intersection of Branchview Drive and Corban Avenue. The path crosses under Corban Avenue using a pedestrian tunnel and accesses McGee Park, a 14-acre park. The greenway has already become a popular walking, cycling and running path for many residents.

The Village Greenway trail, which opened in August 2007, starts on Spring Street N.W., near the Boys & Girls Club of Cabarrus County. The trail travels down Elm Avenue, turns left at Alexander Street, and then right at Academy Avenue. The greenway runs past the Academy Recreation Center and Webb Field, crosses a bridge and runs alongside Webb and McAllister fields. The greenway trail then crosses Crowell Drive and follows Locke Mill Creek to Kerr Street.

The Irish Buffalo Creek Greenway will run in a southeasterly direction, connecting Kannapolis with N.C. 73 and Concord Parkway. This greenway will be adjacent to downtown Concord, Marvin Caldwell Park and developments in the N.C. 49 area.

The Coddle Creek Greenway will extend from the Afton Village area, through James Dorton Park, Cannon School, and several neighborhoods to U.S. 29, eventually passing near Frank Liske Park on its way south.

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