# Destination: Greenways! Queens Update

February 8th, 2022





## **Project Overview**

**NYC Parks**' focus is to create a better experience within parks, and create an open space greenway system in all five boroughs

**NYC DOT**'s focus is to improve access to parks, and maximize the use of off-street paths in the City's transportation system



Greenway Goals



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## **Community Engagement**

#### **Tell Us What You Think**

Thanks to everyone who participated in our first round of virtual public meetings, filled out the surveys and provided feedback on the existing conditions map. The comment period for the surveys and existing conditions map is over, but you can still view the comments made by community members by clicking on "Take Me to the Map". Please check back again soon for survey tabulated results!

For continued feedback, we have created a place where you can join the conversation by clicking on "Virtual Note Board" to share your ideas and comments for the route you're interested in (Brooklyn or Queens).

Your input is a very important part of this process and public feedback will largely shape the directions of the final plans. We are excited to hear from you!



Map Your Ideas and Comments

Take Me to the Map



Share Your Ideas and Comments



### **Project Website**

- Interactive Map Input
- General Comments and Ideas Section
- Surveys

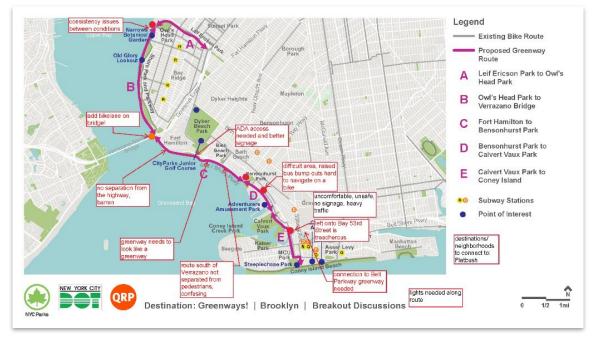




### **On-Site Outreach**

- Flyers
- Questionnaires





### **Virtual Meetings**

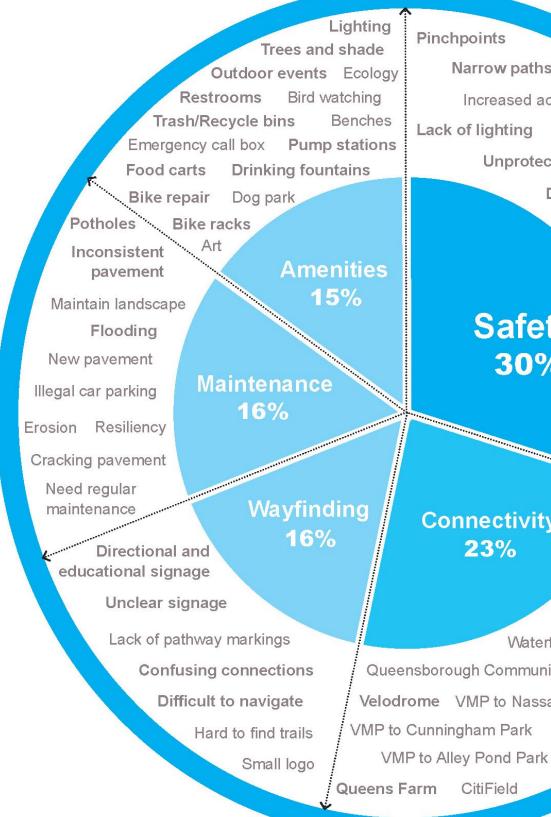
- Zoom Polls •
- Map Input •

**Breakout Room Discussions** 

## **What We Heard**

### **Queens Route**

## Summary of Concerns and Desires





Narrow paths Increased accidents Traffic Lack of lighting **Unprotected paths Dangerous crossings** Lack of barriers Lane/speed rules enforcement More signals Safety **Blind spots** 30% Abrupt path endings Glare Double parking Dark underpass ADA Connectivity Little Bay Park 23% Fort Totten Park **College Point** Local Streets Waterfront Queens College Queensborough Community College LIRR Velodrome VMP to Nassau County paths Schools

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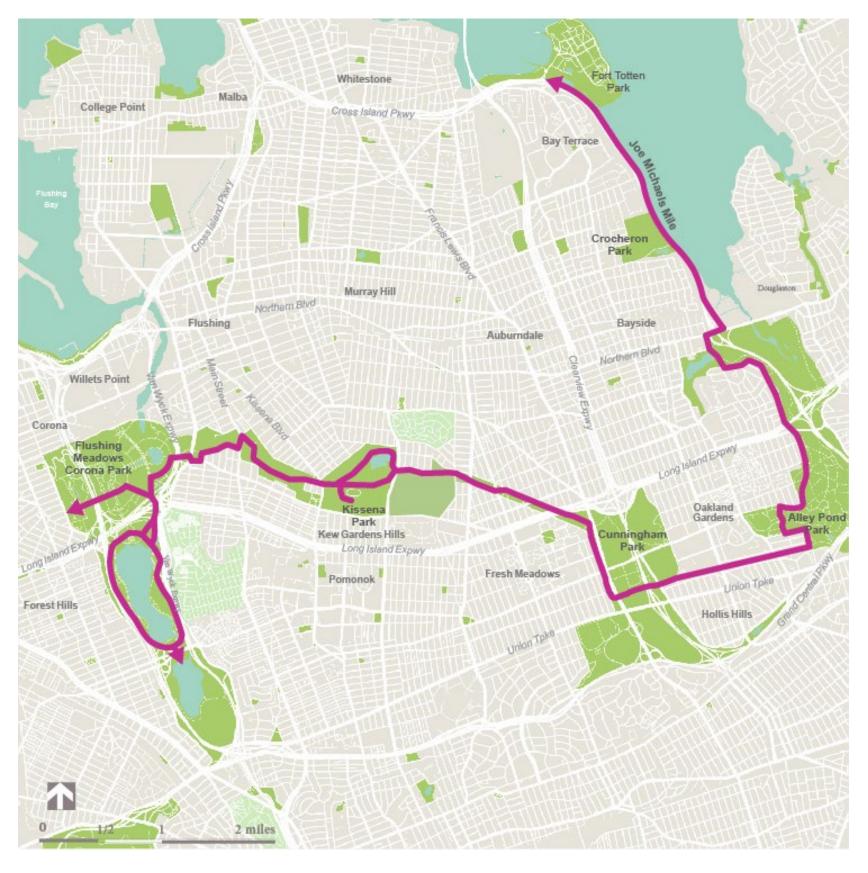
## **The Greenway Today**













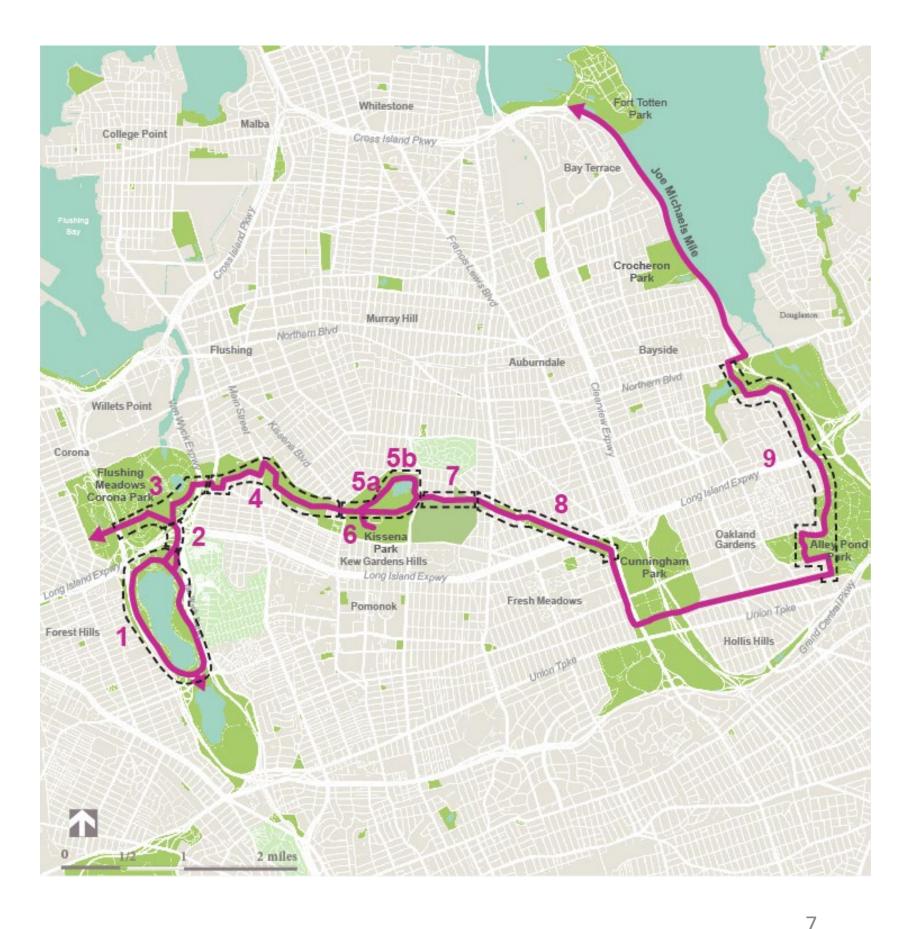
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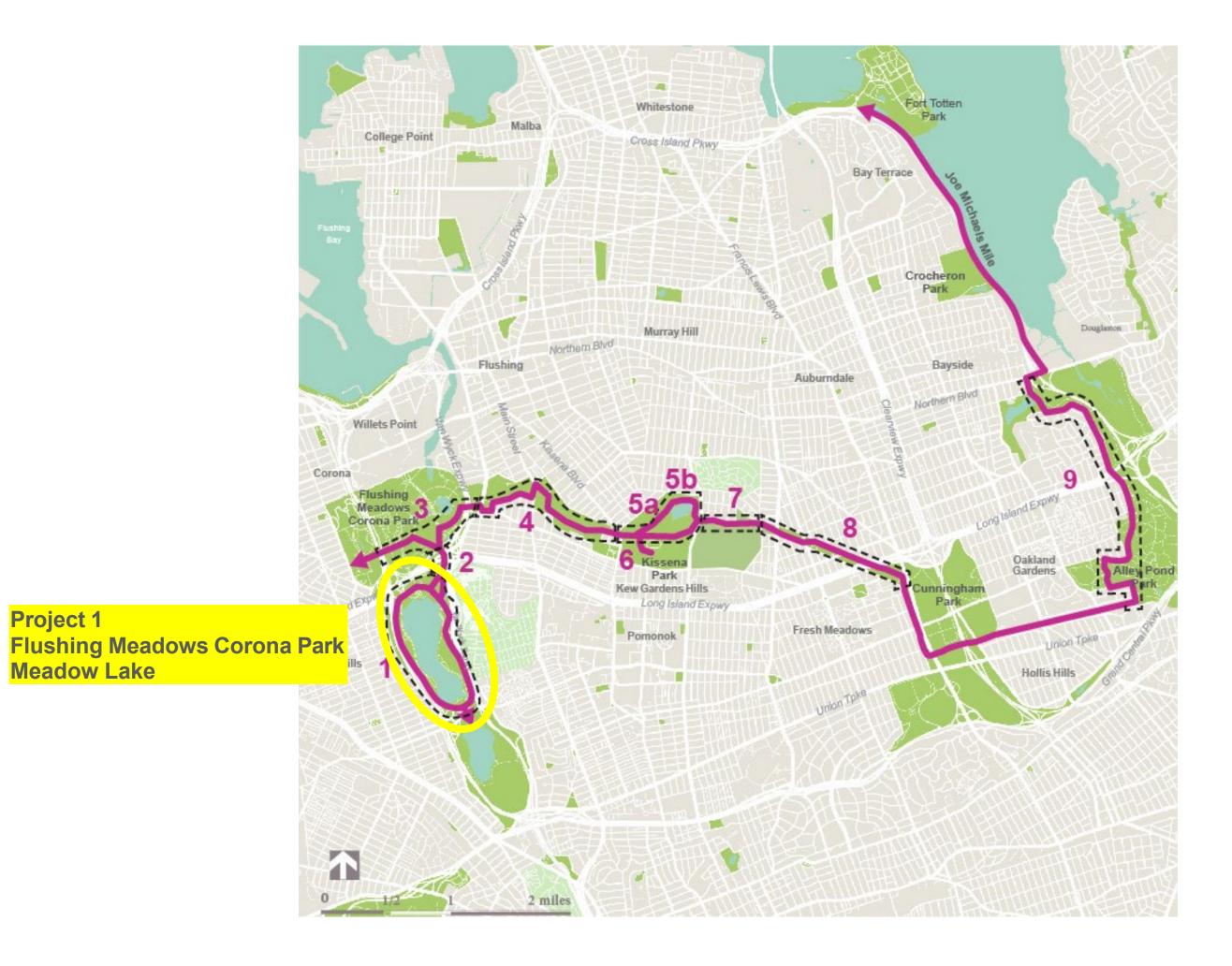
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- **Greenway Route**
- **1** Flushing Meadows Corona Park Meadow Lake
- 2 Flushing Meadows Corona Park Meadow Lake Creek Overlook
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#### Project 1 Flushing Meadows Corona Park Meadow Lake

#### **Proposed Improvements:**

- New greenway route in park
- Planted buffer along highways
- Barbeque groves
- Picnic areas
- Bicycle repair
- Trees, lawn, and plantings
- Lighting and signage
- Seating
- Drinking fountains with bottle filler
- Bicycle racks

#### Cost: \$\$\$\$

#### Legend

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- Greenway Route
- Secondary Path
  - Image/Detail Key
    - Existing Entrance Points

Bicycle Repair

BBQ

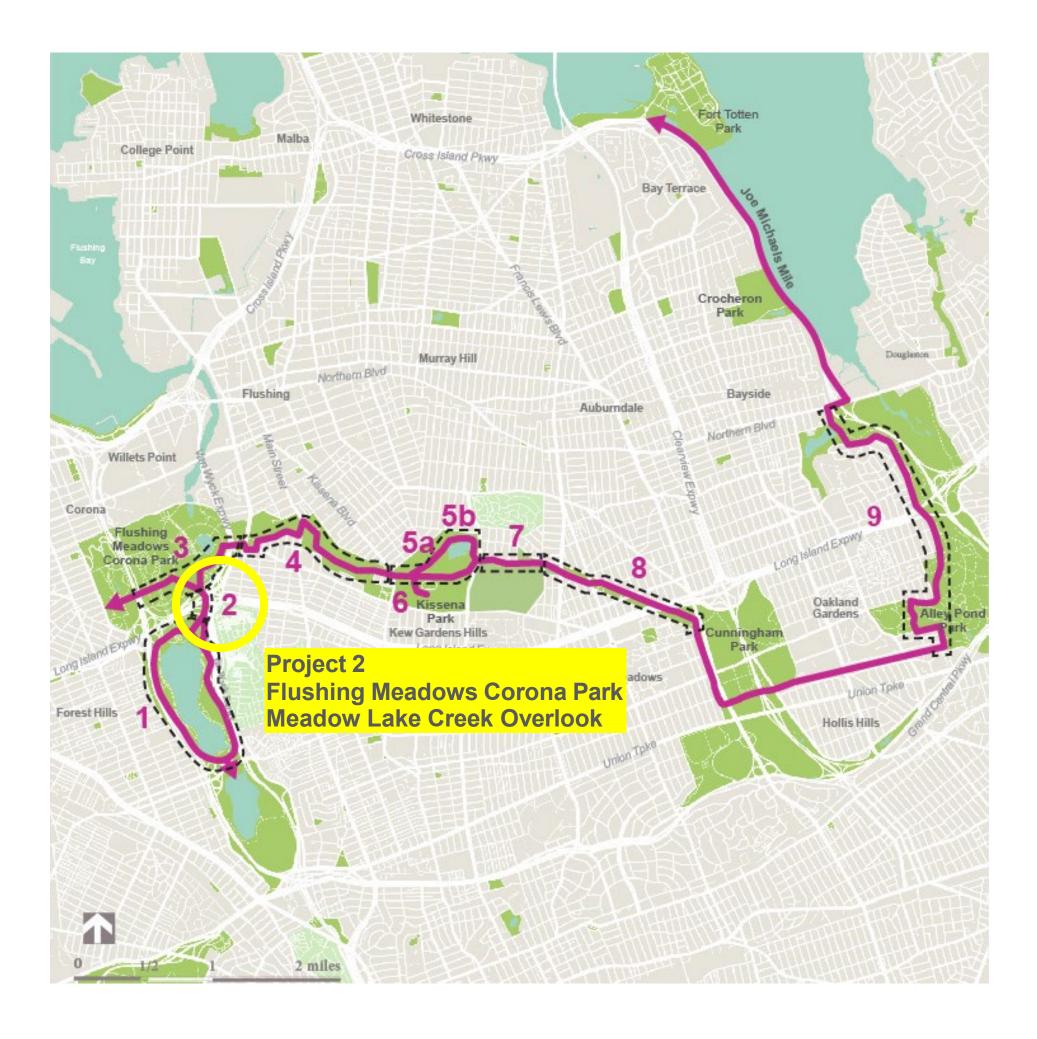
Picnic Area

Seating



#### 1 EXAMPLE OF LAKESIDE NATURE TRAILS

# 2 EXAMPLE OF LAKESIDE BARBEQUE AREA



#### Project 2 Flushing Meadows Corona Park Meadow Lake Creek Overlook

#### **Proposed Improvements:**

- Waterfront access along greenway
- New greenway route in park
- Restoration of the creek shoreline
- Boardwalk overlook
- Fitness stations
- Picnic area
- Trees, lawn, and planting
- Lighting and signage
- Seating
- Drinking fountain with bottle filler
- Bicycle racks

#### Cost: \$\$\$\$

#### Legend



Greenway Route



Boardwalk

Fitness Station

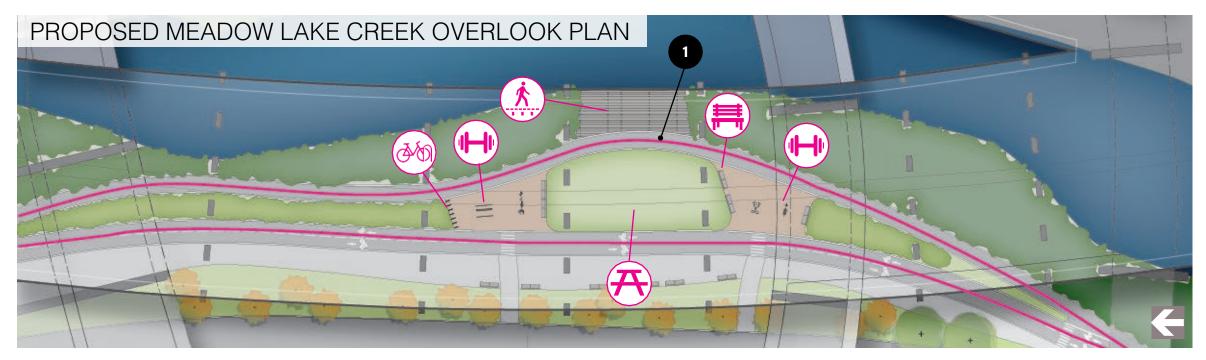
Picnic Area

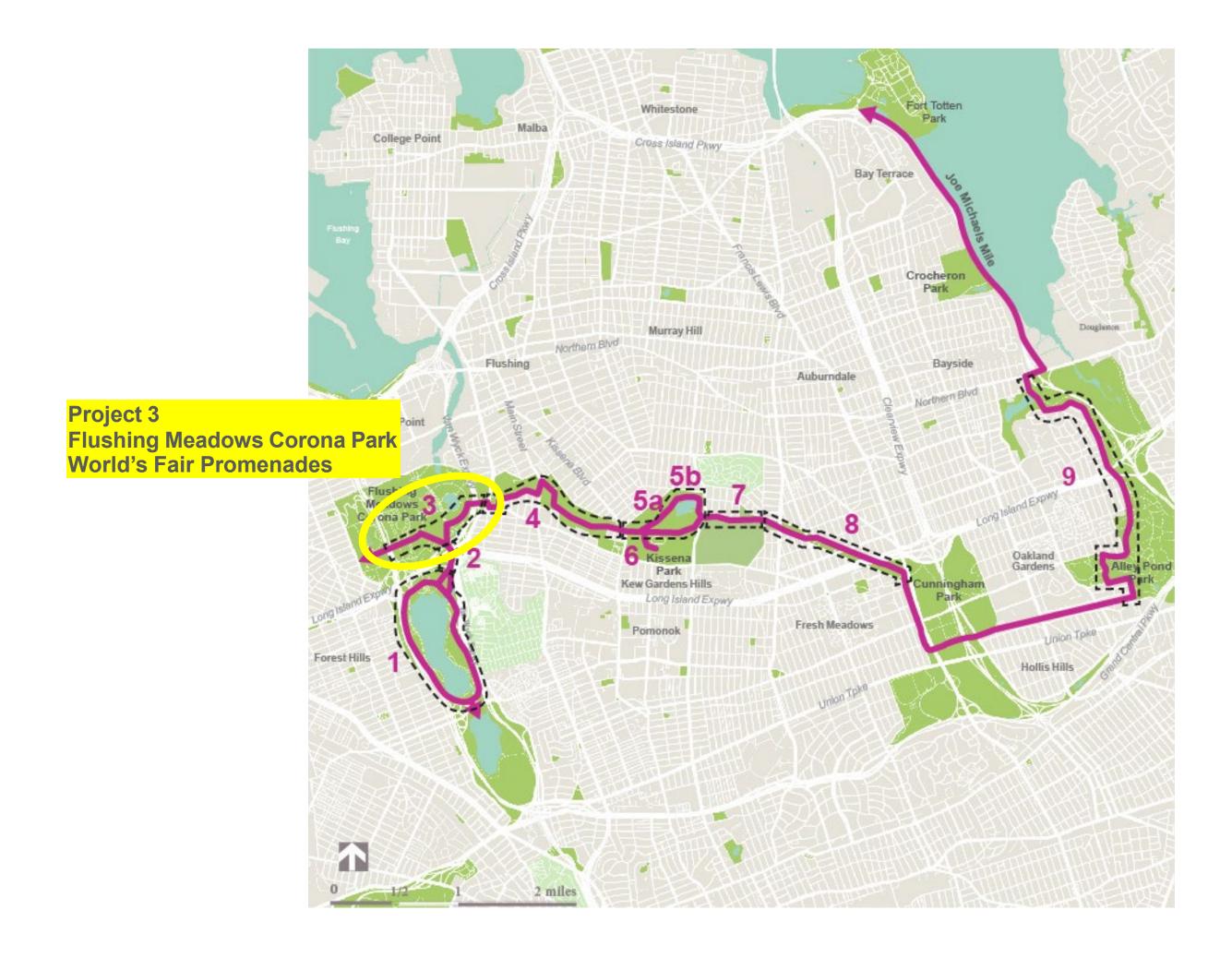
Bicycle Racks

Seating

#### 1 PROPOSED MEADOW LAKE CREEK OVERLOOK WITH SEPARATED BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PATH







### **Project 3** Flushing Meadows Corona Park World's Fair Avenue Promenades

#### **Proposed Improvements:**

- New greenway route in park
- Trees, lawn, and plantings
- Lighting and signage
- Bicycle racks

Cost: \$\$\$\$



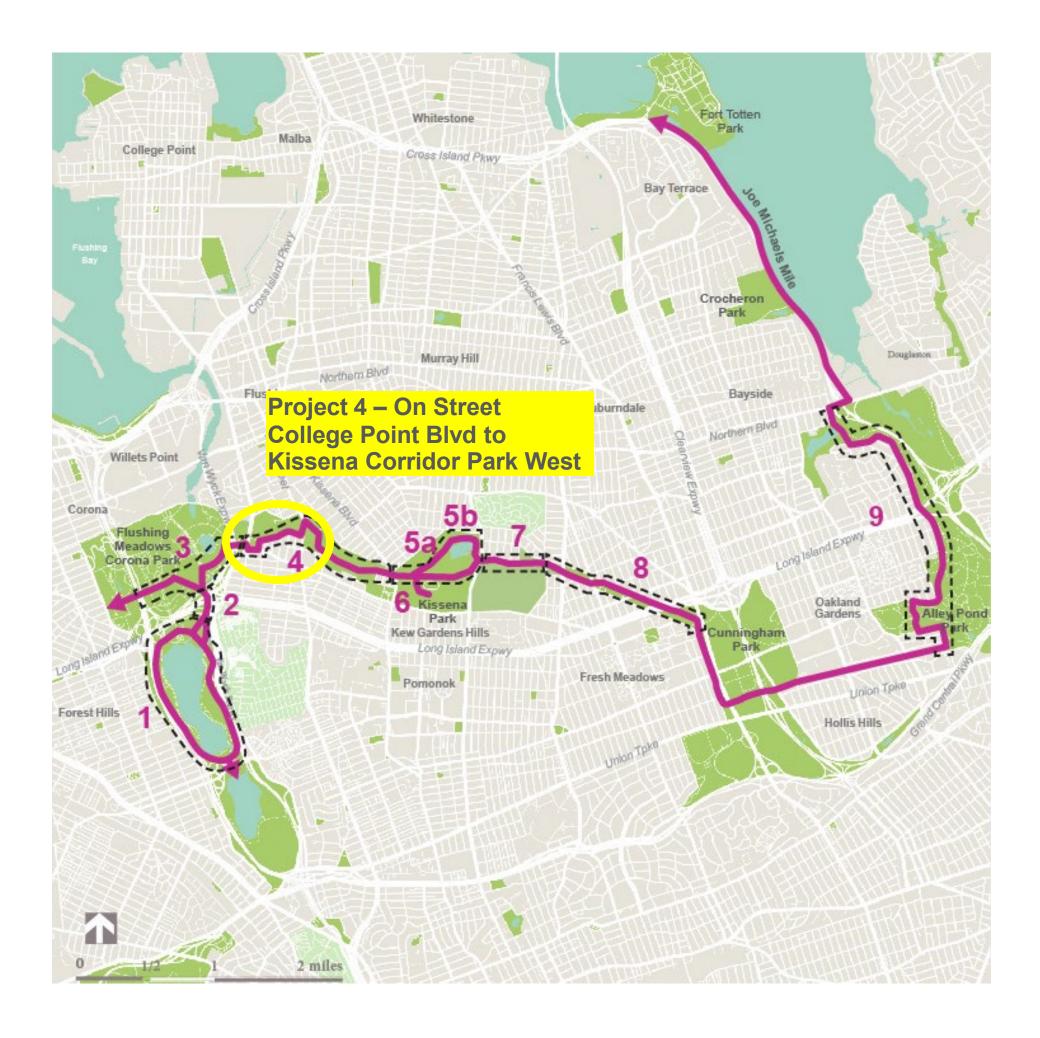


#### Legend Greenway Route



Image/Detail Key

Bicycle Racks



#### **Project 4 College Point Boulevard to Kissena Corridor Park - West**

#### **Proposed On-Street Improvements:**

- Redesign of 133<sup>rd</sup> St, Elder Ave, and Peck Ave to include two-way bike lane on north side
- Intersection redesign of College Point Blvd, providing safe crossing for greenway users
- Intersection redesign of Main St, providing safe crossing for greenway users

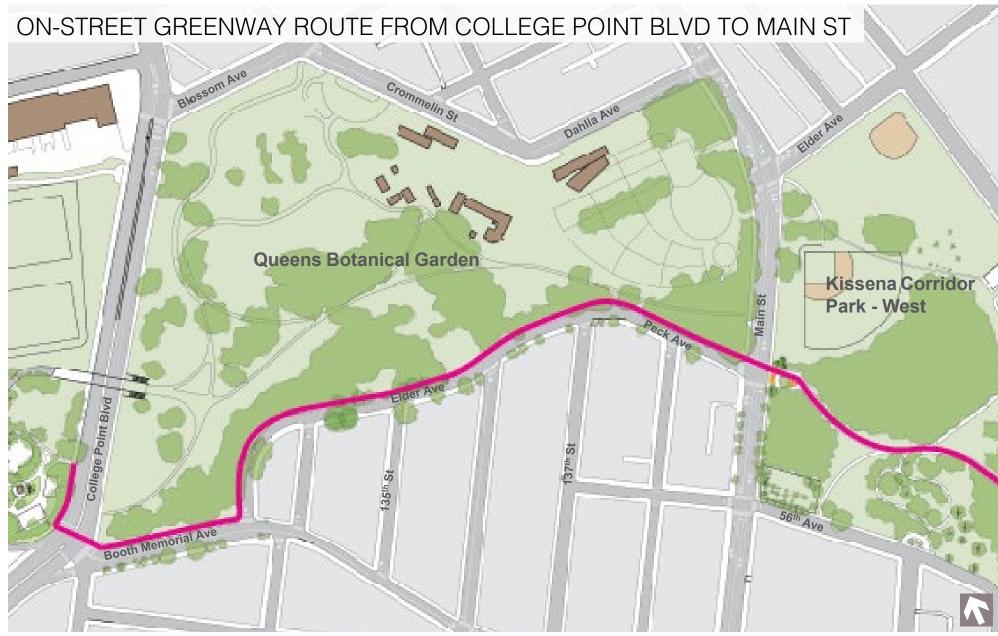
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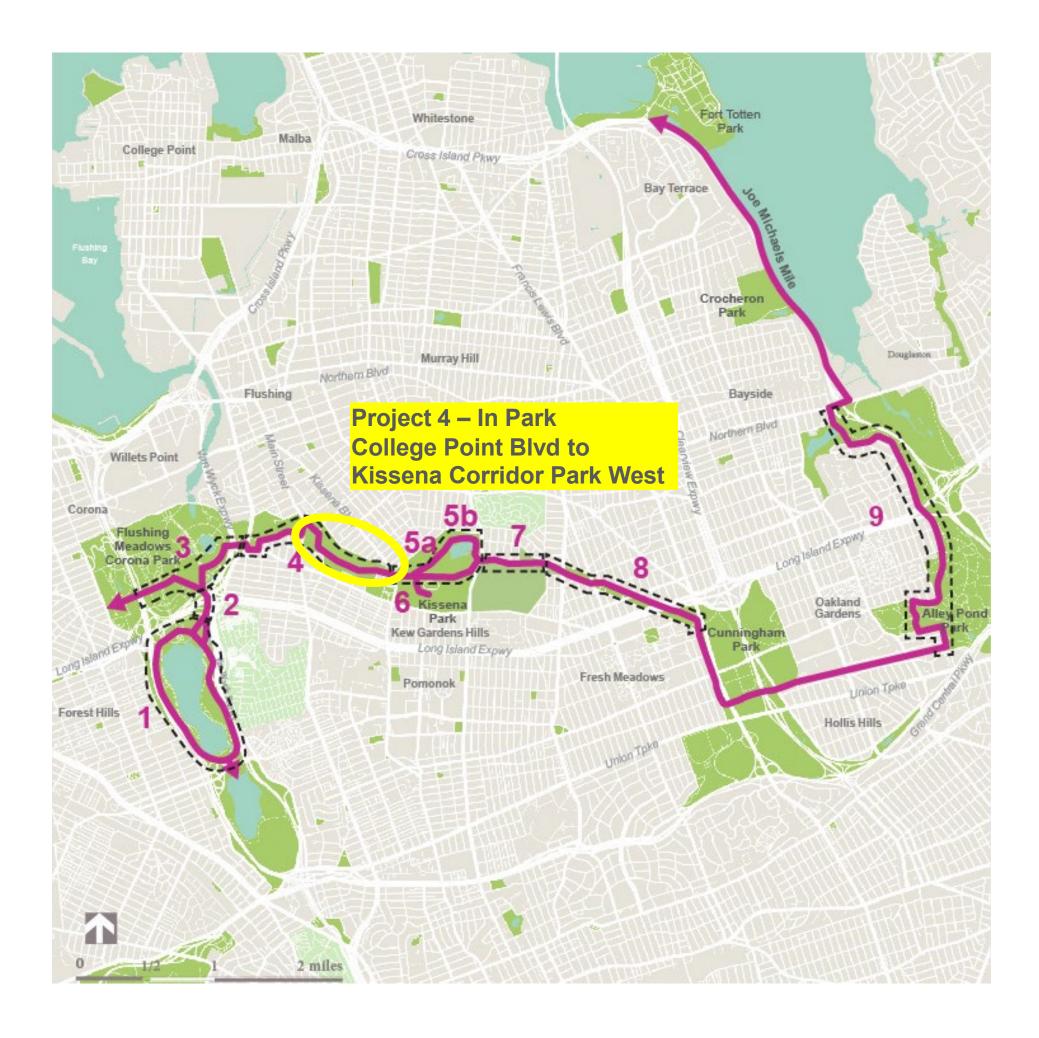
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#### Legend

Greenway Route

## **DOT FOCUS PROJECT**





#### **Project 4 College Point Boulevard to Kissena Corridor Park - West**

#### **Proposed Improvements:**

- New greenway route in park
- · Enhanced street crossings and connections
- New park entrance at Main St.
- Bicycle repair
- Trees, lawn, and plantings
- Lighting and signage
- Seating
- Drinking fountain with bottle filler
- Bicycle racks

Cost: \$\$\$\$



Legend

**Greenway Route** Image/Detail Key

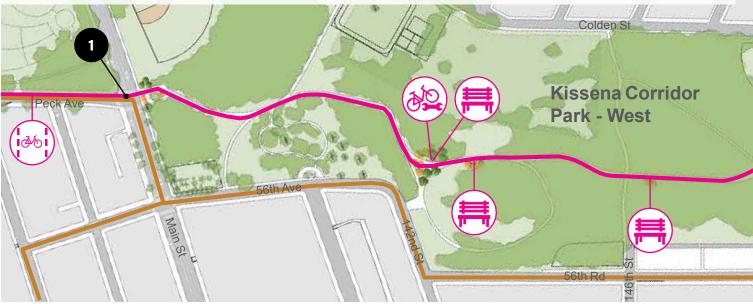
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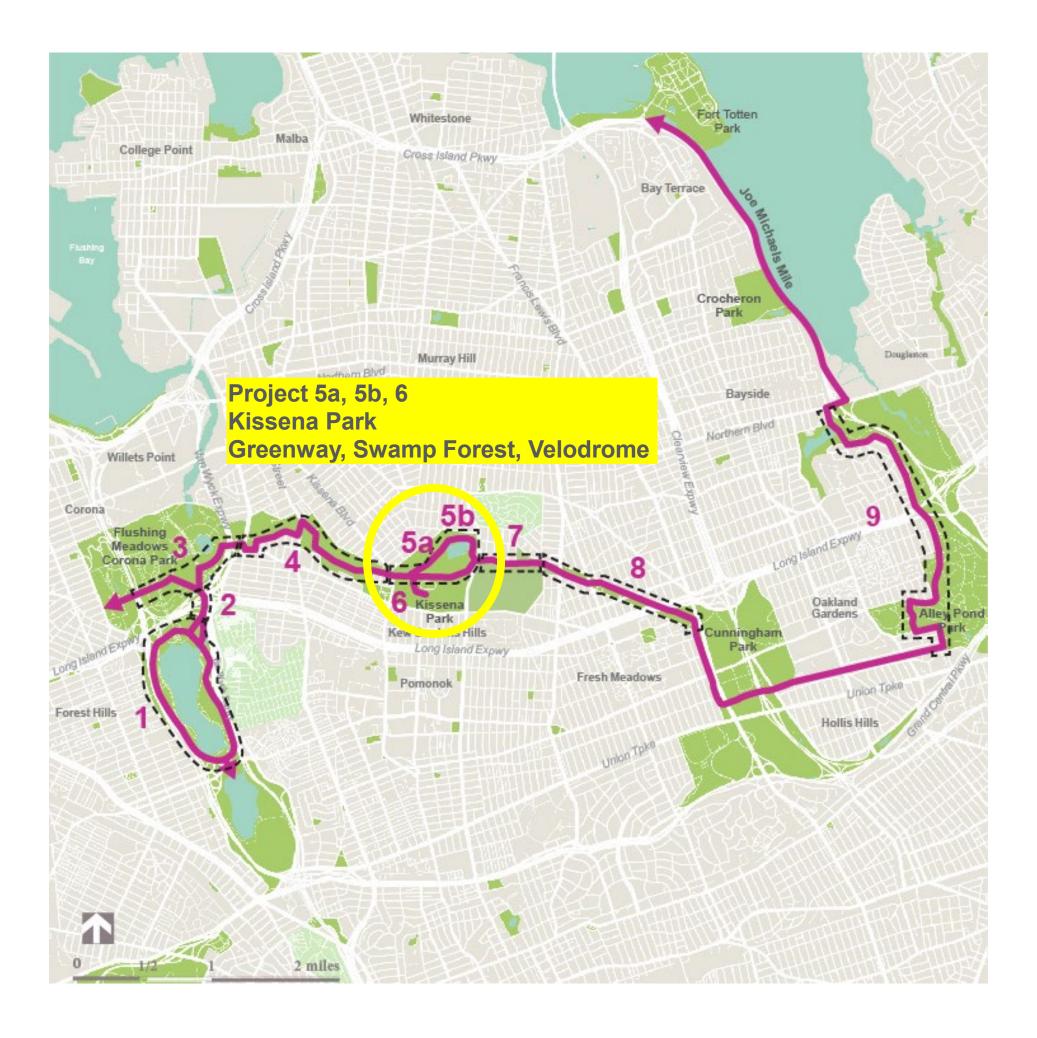
Seating



On-street Bicycle Connection







#### **Project 5a Kissena Park Paths and Renovated Entrances**

#### **Proposed Improvements:**

- New greenway route in park
- Enhanced street crossings
- Renovated entrances
- Boardwalk overlook
- Picnic area
- Bicycle repair
- Trees, lawn, and plantings
- Lighting and signage
- Seating
- Drinking fountain with bottle filler
- Bicycle racks

#### Cost: \$\$\$\$

#### Legend

- Greenway Route
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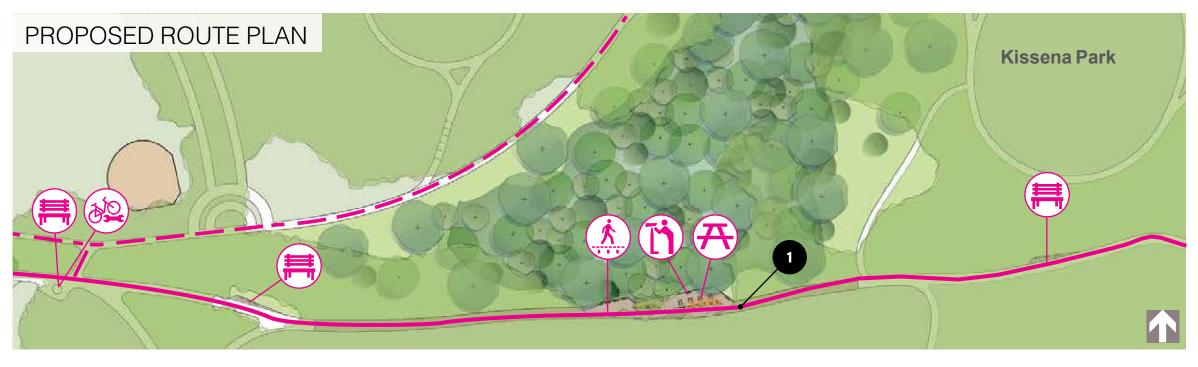
Boardwalk

Viewfinder

Picnic Area

Seating



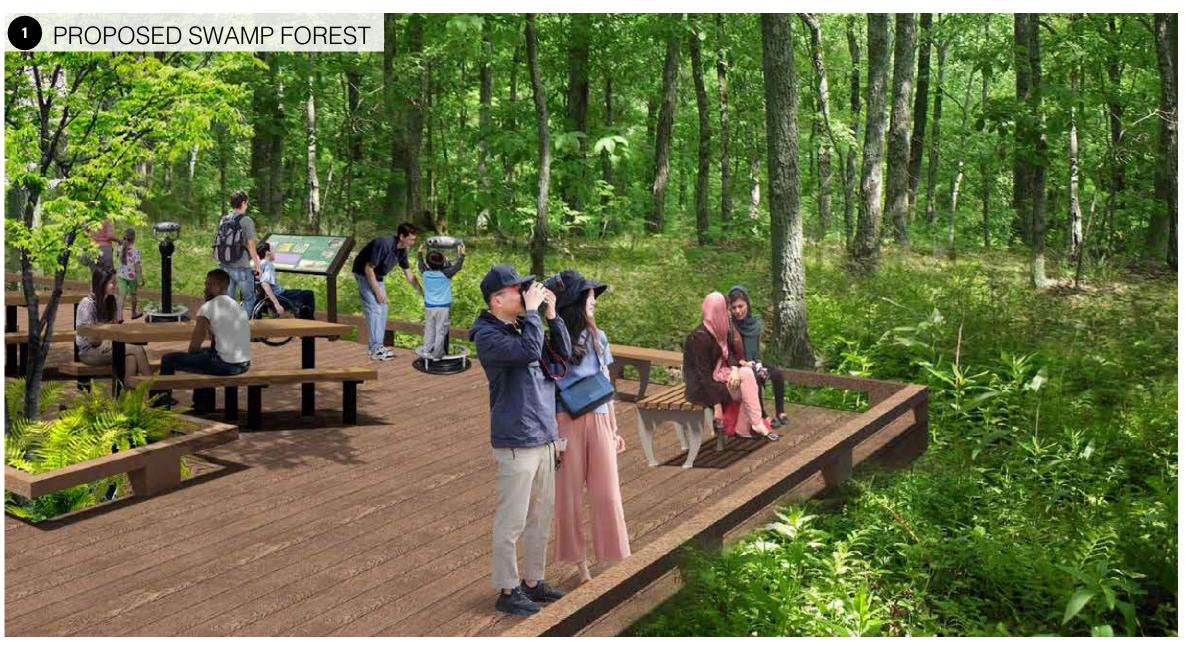


#### Project 5b Kissena Park Swamp Forest

#### **Proposed Improvements:**

- Natural area restoration
- Trees and plantings

Cost: \$\$\$\$



#### Legend



- Greenway Route Image/Detail Key

Swamp Forest



#### Project 6 **Kissena Park Velodrome Connection**

#### **Proposed Improvements:**

- New greenway connection to Velodrome
- New comfort station
- Bicycle repair
- Trees, lawn, and plantings
- Lighting and signage
- Seating
- Drinking fountain with bottle filler
- Bicycle racks

Cost: \$\$\$\$



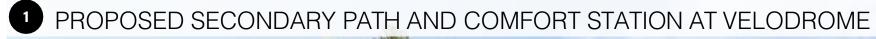


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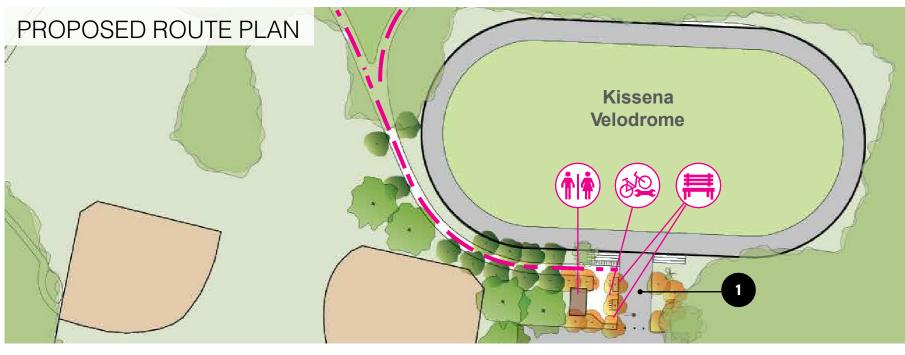
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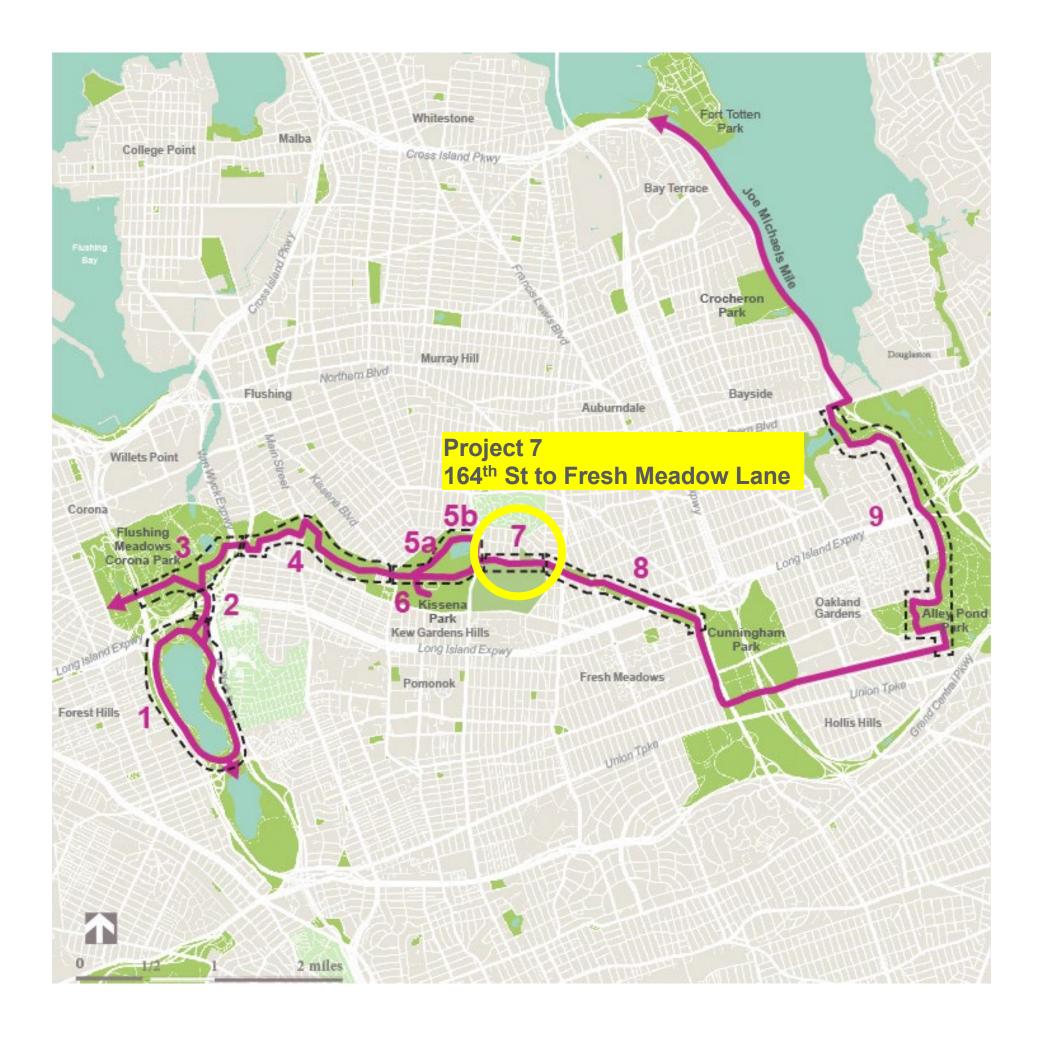
Bicycle Repair

Seating









#### Project 7 164th St. to Fresh Meadow Lane

#### **Proposed Improvements:**

- New greenway route in park
- New entrance at 170th St.
- Trees, lawn, and plantings
- Lighting and signage
- Seating
- Drinking fountain with bottle filler
- New on-street connection at 164<sup>th</sup> St

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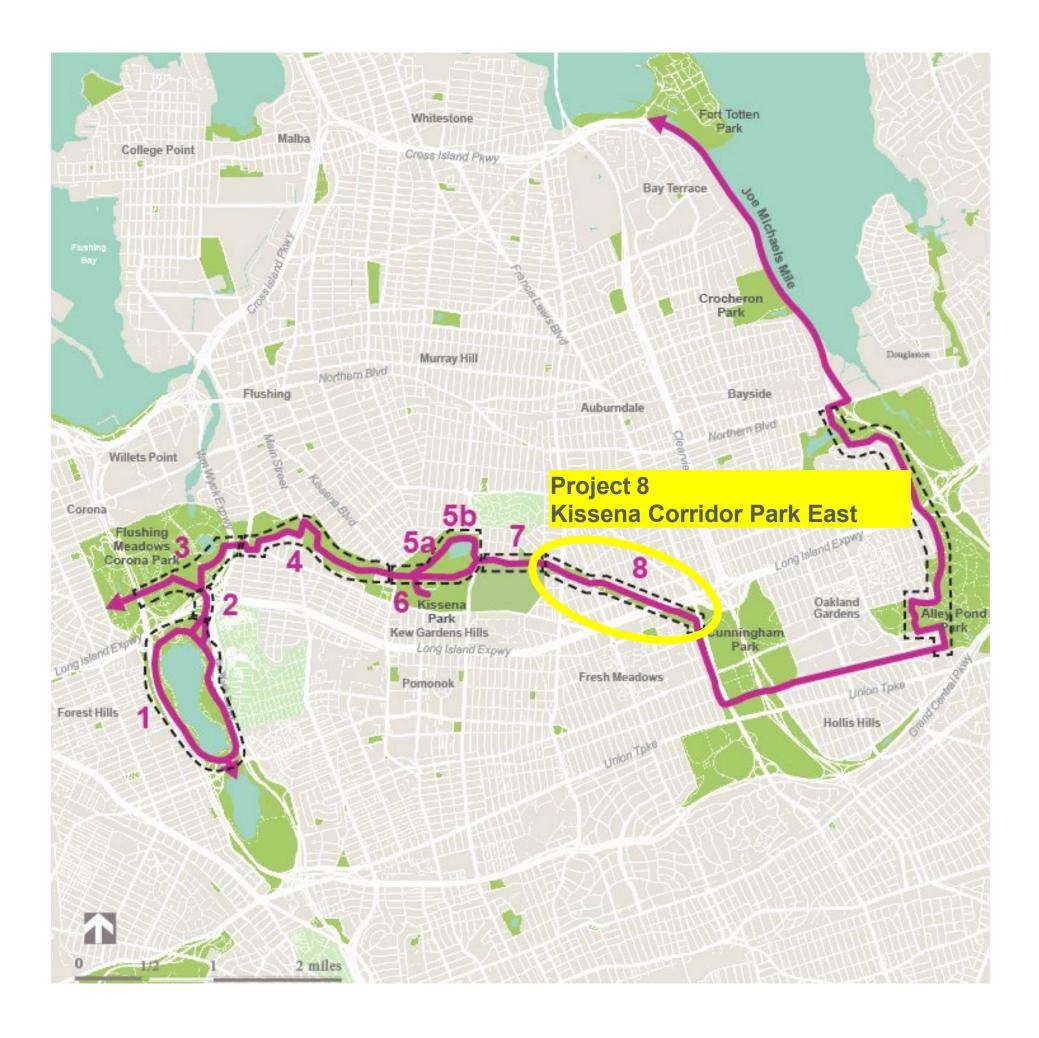


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Green Stormwater Management

Seating





#### Project 8 Kissena Corridor Park - East

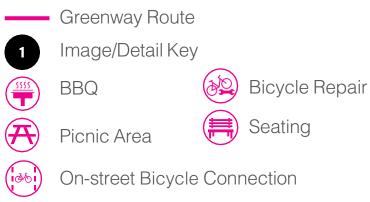
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- Barbeque grove
- Bicycle repair
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- New on-street connection at 188<sup>th</sup> St and 58<sup>th</sup> Ave

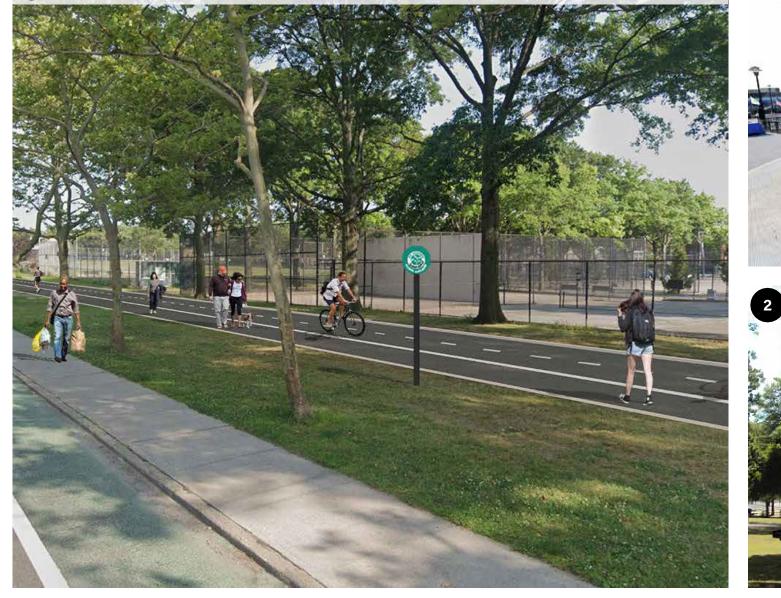
#### Larger capital project at Utopia Pkwy may be explored by NYC DOT

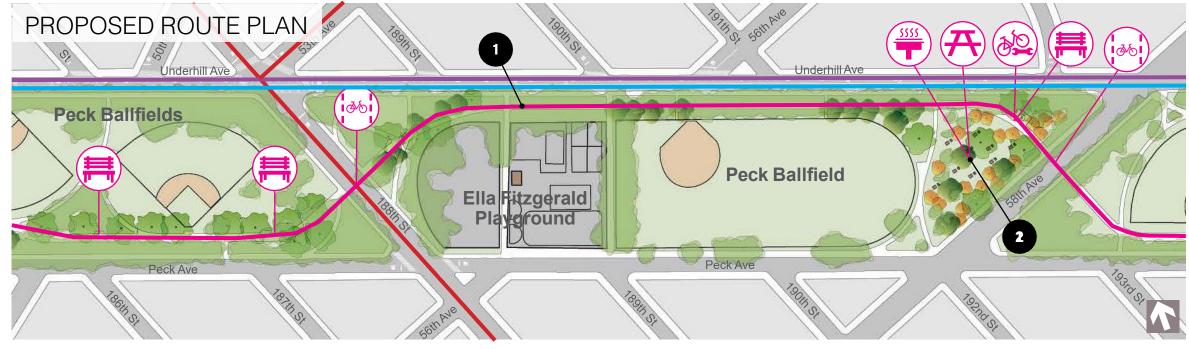
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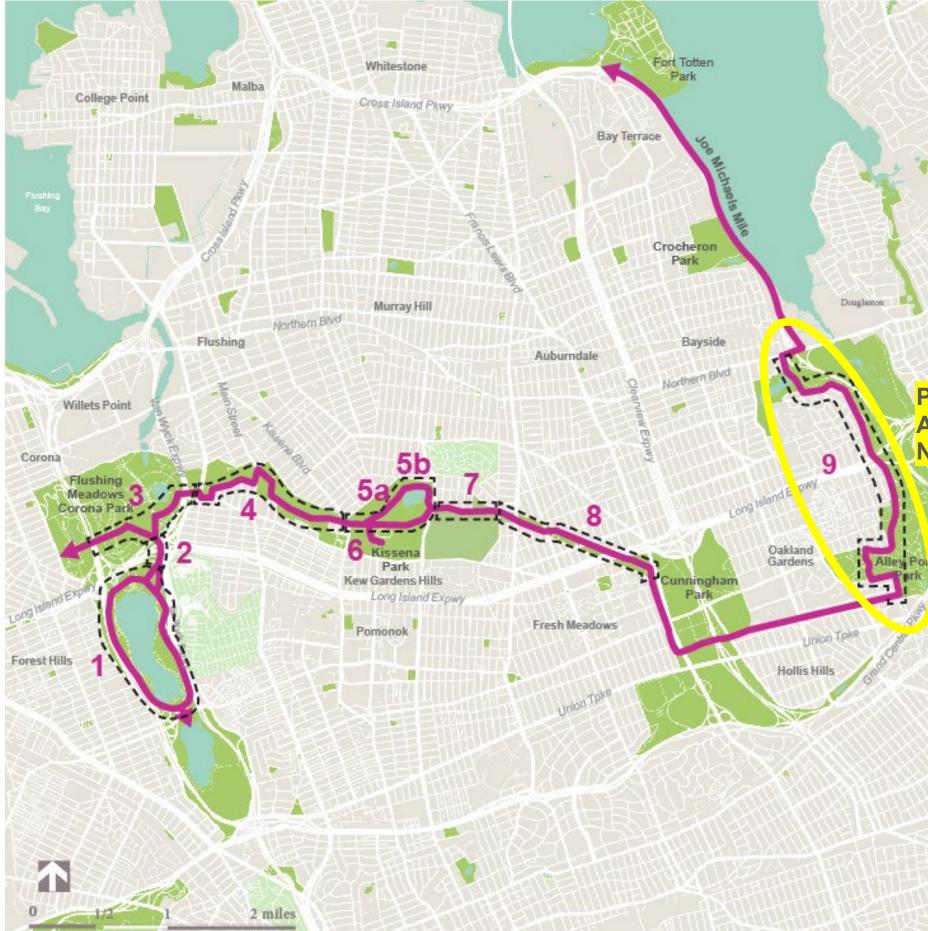


1 PROPOSED GREENWAY ROUTE ALONG UNDERHILL AVE.









# Project 9 Alley Pond Park to Northern Blvd

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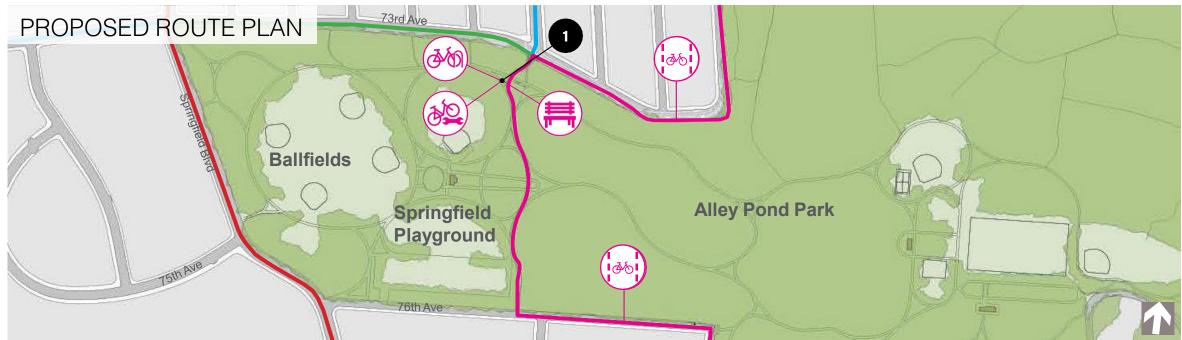
#### Project 9 Alley Pond Park to Northern Boulevard

#### **Proposed Improvements:**

- New greenway route in park
- Bicycle repair
- Trees, lawn, and plantings
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- Seating
- Drinking fountains with bottle filler
- Bicycle racks

#### Cost: \$\$\$\$





#### Legend



Greenway Route Image/Detail Key

Bicycle Repair

**Bicycle Racks** 

Seating

On-street Bicycle Connection

#### **Project 9 Alley Pond Park to Northern Boulevard**

#### **Proposed On-Street Improvements:**

- · Shared lane Bike Boulevard on Cloverdale Blvd south of Alley Pond Park
- Expand east sidewalk at E Hampton Blvd overpass of Long Island Expy to accommodate raised bike lanes
- Safety enhancements at Northern Blvd intersection
- NYC DOT will explore onstreet connections from **Community Board 11**

**On-street connection along** East Hampton Blvd (bridge structure) to be coordinated with NYS DOT

#### Cost: \$\$\$\$

#### Legend

Greenway Route

## **DOT FOCUS PROJECT**

#### ON-STREET GREENWAY ROUTE FROM ALLEY POND PARK TO NORTHERN BLVD







#### ROUTE FROM VMP INTO ALLEY POND PARK

## **Next Steps – Acquire Funding for Projects**

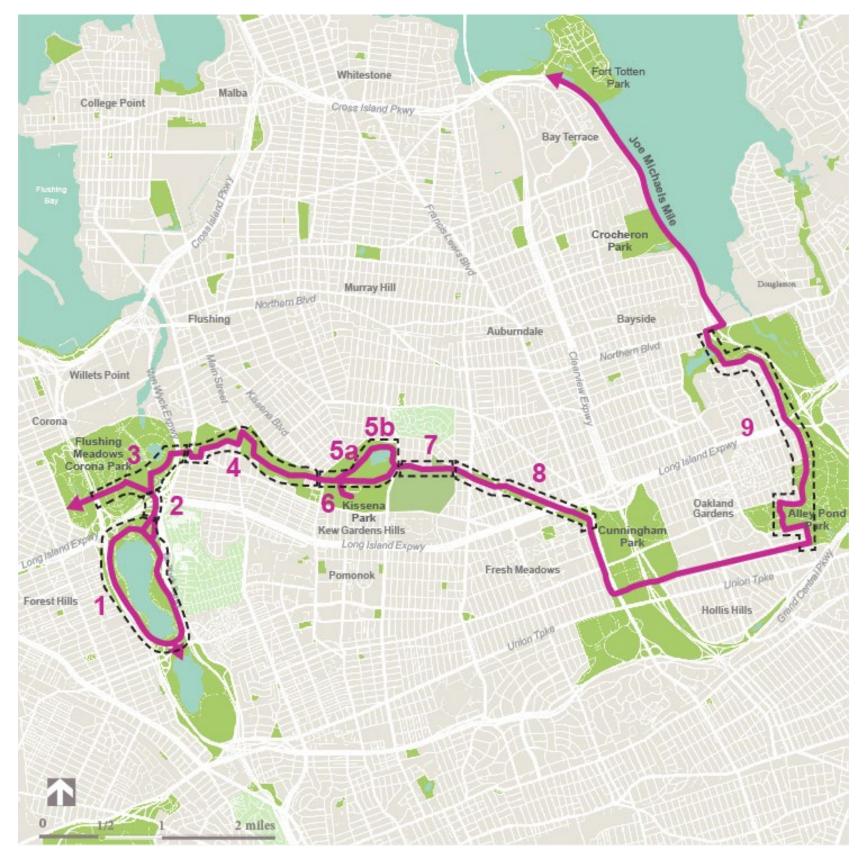
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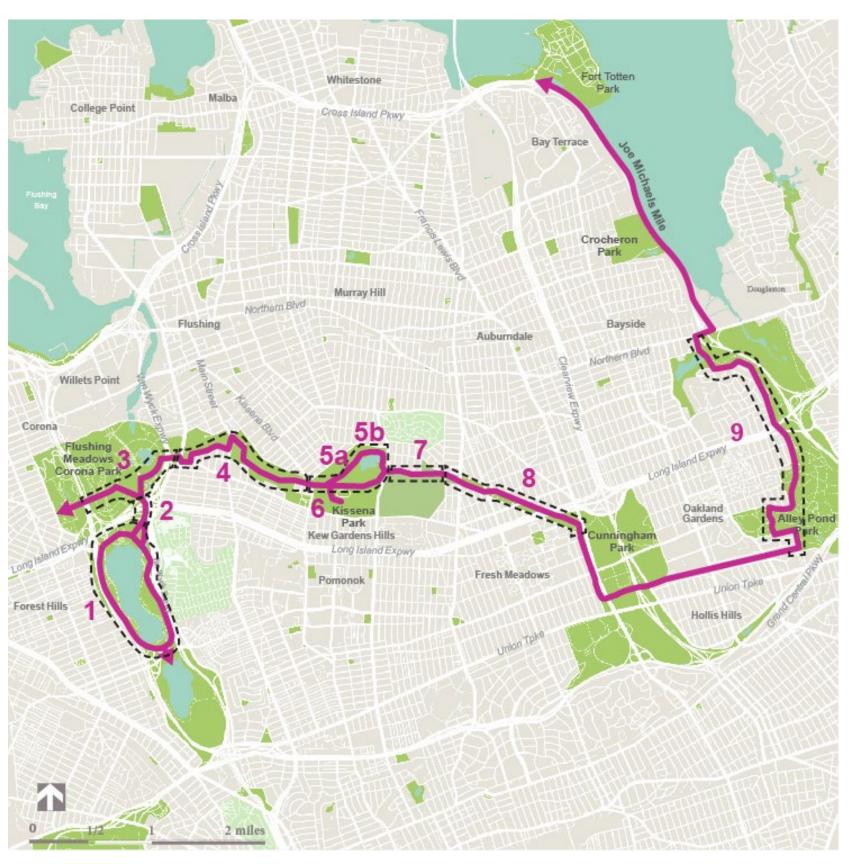
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