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SUBJECT: Duluth Traverse Mini-Master Plan Draft Available for Public Review and Comment

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[Duluth, MN] - The public is invited to review and provide input on the draft Duluth Traverse Trail Management and Mini-Master Plan. The City held a public meeting and is providing this draft based on public input determining best practices for long term maintenance, overcrowding of trails, access to underserved neighborhoods and reduction in environmental degradation. Public comment on the plan will be accepted until March 31st. The plan can be accessed at, <http://www.duluthmn.gov/st-louis-river-corridor/duluth-traverse/>

The Duluth Traverse is a multi-use trail system linking neighborhoods and people to parks and green spaces, and stretches the entire ridgeline of Duluth, from Lester Park in the east, to Chambers Grove in the west. The Duluth Traverse is a single-track, natural surface trail, purpose built for mountain bikes. It will be the first 100-mile trail system of its kind, entirely within an urban environment.

Although purpose built for mountain biking, this trail is intended to be multi-use and open to all human-powered users. Besides mountain biking, trail uses include running, hiking, and dog walking in the summer, and fat tire biking, snowshoeing and backcountry skiing in the winter months. This has been a shared vision between the City of Duluth and the Cyclists of Gitchee Gumees Shores (COGGS). Major completed sections include, but are not limited to, Lincoln Park, Woodland and Observation Hill neighborhoods, as well as segments through Hartley Park, Brewer Park, Lester Park, and Spirit Mountain Recreation Area.

For more project information, or to submit a comment, contact Jim Shoberg, Project Coordinator, at jshoberg@duluthmn.gov or (218) 730-4316.

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