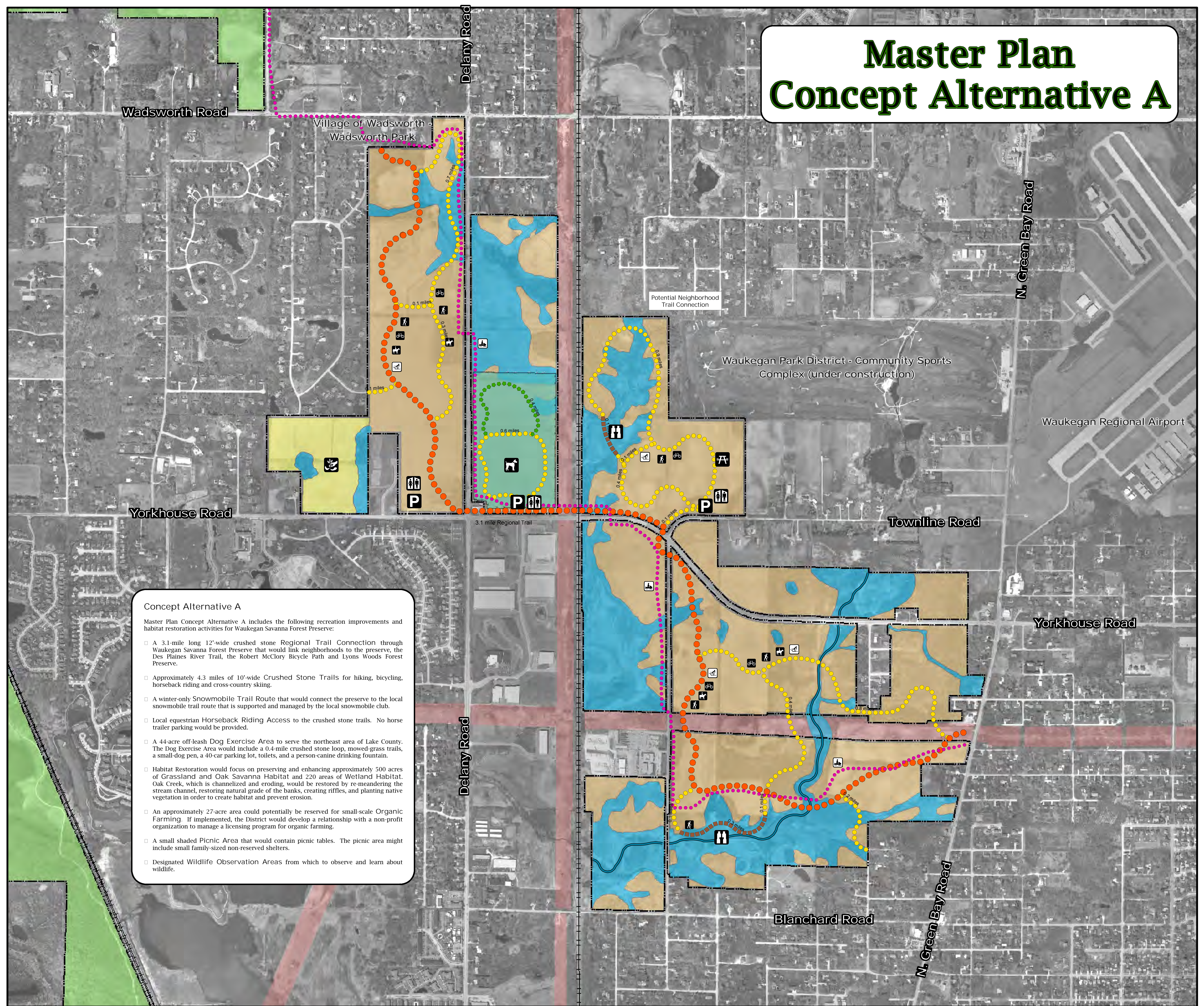


# Master Plan Concept Alternative A



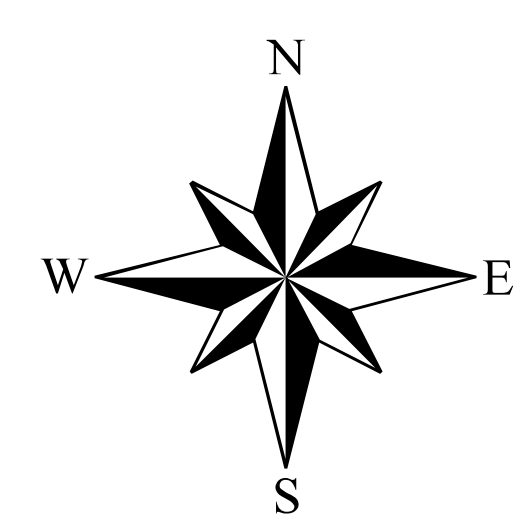
**Concept Alternative A**

Master Plan Concept Alternative A includes the following recreation improvements and habitat restoration activities for Waukegan Savanna Forest Preserve:

- A 3.1-mile long 12'-wide crushed stone Regional Trail Connection through Waukegan Savanna Forest Preserve that would link neighborhoods to the preserve, the Des Plaines River Trail, the Robert McClory Bicycle Path and Lyons Woods Forest Preserve.
- Approximately 4.3 miles of 10'-wide Crushed Stone Trails for hiking, bicycling, horseback riding and cross-country skiing.
- A winter-only Snowmobile Trail Route that would connect the preserve to the local snowmobile trail route that is supported and managed by the local snowmobile club.
- Local equestrian Horseback Riding Access to the crushed stone trails. No horse trailer parking would be provided.
- A 44-acre off-leash Dog Exercise Area to serve the northeast area of Lake County. The Dog Exercise Area would include a 0.4-mile crushed stone loop, mowed-grass trails, a small-dog pen, a 40-car parking lot, toilets, and a person-canine drinking fountain.
- Habitat Restoration would focus on preserving and enhancing approximately 500 acres of Grassland and Oak Savanna Habitat and 220 acres of Wetland Habitat. Oak Creek, which is channelized and eroding, would be restored by re-meandering the stream channel, restoring natural grade of the banks, creating riffles, and planting native vegetation in order to create habitat and prevent erosion.
- An approximately 27-acre area could potentially be reserved for small-scale Organic Farming. If implemented, the District would develop a relationship with a non-profit organization to manage a licensing program for organic farming.
- A small shaded Picnic Area that would contain picnic tables. The picnic area might include small family-sized non-reserved shelters.
- Designated Wildlife Observation Areas from which to observe and learn about wildlife.

# Waukegan Savanna Forest Preserve

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|----------------------|---------------------------|---|--|--------------------------|
| Bicycling            | Potential Organic Farming | Regional Trail - 12' Wide Crushed Stone | Dog Exercise Area                      | Forest Preserve Boundary |
| Hiking               | Picnic Area               | Boardwalk                               | Potential Organic Farming              | Forest Preserve          |
| Horseback Riding     | Wildlife Observation Area | 10' Wide Crushed Stone Trail            | Stream Corridor Restoration            | Railroad                 |
| Cross Country Skiing | Toilet                    | 6' Wide Mowed Grass Trail               | Grassland and Savanna Restoration Area | ComEd                    |
| Snowmobiling         | Parking Lot               | Existing Snowmobile Route               | Wetland Restoration Area               |                          |
| Dog Exercise Area    |                           |   |  |                          |



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