# Recommendations for BMC Bike GIS 7/15/20



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# Rt 2 south of Rt 50 is a Designated Signed Route







# It is nearly a controlled access highway with high speed, on/off ramps, no shoulders and no bike lanes





Why would this be included on a bike map? Why should it be a "Designated Bike Route"?



Ft. Meade area shows some planned routes but a major gap between Odenton and BWI We envision a connected trail network with a hub and spokes providing safe biking and walking to work, school, recreation transit and other destinations plus connectivity to neighboring counties and their trail networks. Community trails would connect to it.







Odenton/BWI area is a priority and has a Bikewaysfunded grant to study a trail route connection. There are other study areas as well.

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