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B Active Plan:
Moving forward to make Birmingham a better place to bike!

The B-Active Plan has developed a Draft Regional Bicycle Network and the public has an opportunity to provide input! A public open house to review and comment on the plan will be held on **January 23, 2018 from 4:00pm-6:30pm at Cahaba Brewing**. This will be a casual drop in event and everyone is welcome to participate.

In order to provide a network of roads and off-street trails that are safe, connected and accessible, the Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham (RPCGB) initiated a planning process in April 2017 to develop the the ***B-Active Plan***. This process included feedback from more than 1,000 people representing 112 zip codes within the region.

The Draft Regional Bicycle Network was developed based on the input received from the public, an inventory of existing and planned bicycle and paved-trail facilities, a safety analysis at high crash locations, the location of natural and man-made barriers that make conditions for bicycling difficult, and a demand analysis that incorporated locations where people bicycle to and from the most - such as parks, transit stops, employment centers, universities and shopping centers.

The full ***B-Active Plan*** is expected to be released in late Spring 2018. The final plan will include technical guidance and recommendations on bicycle facility design, and an implementation plan with short-term and long-term project priorities. Since the RPCGB is tasked with planning, it will be up to the state, counties and local governments to further consider and potentially build the projects and facilities recommended in the plan.

B-Active Plan OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday January 23 (4:00-6:30pm)

Cahaba Brewery

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About the RPCGB: The Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham (RPCGB) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization for Jefferson, Shelby Counties, along with portions of Blount and St. Clair Counties. The RPCGB coordinates regional transportation planning with counties, cities, ALDOT, the BJCTA, ADEM and the Jefferson County Department of Health.