



HIGHLANDS TO ISLANDS

TRAIL FROM UNIVERSITY TO MCEVER ROAD TRAIL STUDY



MAY 2026

PREFERRED ALIGNMENT

CAMPUS SIDEPATH

The preferred alignment reflects planned improvements identified in the UNG Gainesville Campus Master Plan. The route originates at the existing Highlands to Islands UNG Connector and proceeds as a sidepath along Landrum Education Drive, incorporating segments of existing sidewalk within the public right of way. This portion of the alignment enhances connectivity for adjacent multi-family residential developments.

From Landrum Education Drive, the trail crosses Campus Drive in a northwesterly direction to the west side of the roadway, then traverses university-owned property between Mills Pond and the soccer field complex. The alignment includes a raised pedestrian bridge over Mundy Mill Road, with the abutment located between the Wendy's and New Lucky Crab House properties. South of Mundy Mill Road, the trail continues to Thurmon Tanner Parkway, where it resumes as a sidepath utilizing existing sidewalks and available right of way, ultimately terminating at Oakwood Road.

This alignment provides a grade-separated crossing for pedestrians and bicyclists, improving safety and continuity. In addition, the UNG Campus Vision Plan identifies the opportunity for a prominent gateway feature; the proposed pedestrian bridge could serve as a distinctive and visually significant entrance to the university.



UNG Campus Pond

CAMPUS SIDEPATH - UNG CAMPUS TO OAKWOOD ROAD



This segment extends from the existing Highlands to Islands Trail on the UNG campus, following a sidepath along Landrum Education Drive. It crosses Campus Drive and continues briefly along its alignment before traversing UNG property adjacent to the fountain. The route proceeds across SR 53 via an elevated pedestrian bridge, then turns toward Thurmon Tanner Parkway. From there, it shifts southwest, turning onto Oakwood Road and terminating at Main Street.

UNPAVED TRAILS
SEWER EASEMENT
FLOODWAY

STREET CROSSING
BRIDGE/CULVERT



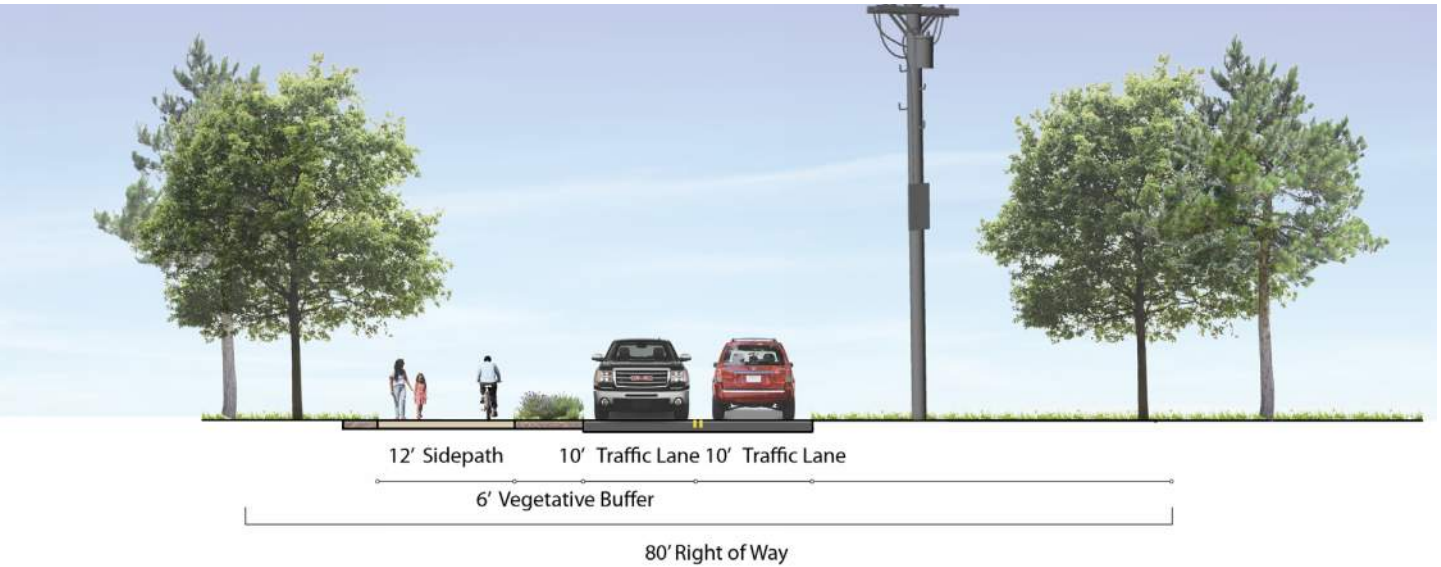
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CAMPUS SIDEPATH - UNG CAMPUS TO OAKWOOD ROAD

SEGMENT SUMMARY

	LENGTH	PROPERTY OWNERSHIP	OOPC*	LINEAR FEET OF BOARDWALK	LINEAR FEET OF RETAINING WALL	NUMBER OF STREET CROSSINGS	NUMBER OF RAILROAD CROSSINGS
UNG CAMPUS TO OAKWOOD RD	8000'	CITY OF GAINESVILLE, PRIVATE OWNERS	\$26,062,878	135'	0	1	0

* Opinion of Probable Cost includes Project Management and Contingency costs. More detailed cost data can be found on Page 97.



SIDEPATH CROSS SECTION: 80' RIGHT OF WAY. 12' WIDE TRAIL WITH 6' VEGETATIVE BUFFER FROM ROAD TRAFFIC



PROPOSED BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE ACROSS MUNDY MILL ROAD

CAMPUS SIDEPATH ALIGNMENT COST ESTIMATE

ITEM	NUMBER	UNIT	COST/UNIT	TOTAL
CAMPUS SIDEPATH - UNG CAMPUS TO OAKWOOD ROAD				
Concrete Sidewalk	80,000	SF	\$16.00	\$1,280,000.00
Concrete Boardwalk Superstructure and Pavement	1,260	SF	\$105.00	\$132,300.00
Multi-Use Bridge over Roadway	8,400	SF	\$1,500.00	\$12,600,000.00
20% Clearing, Grading, Erosion Control, Stormwater, Utilities				\$2,802,460.00
			Subtotal	\$16,814,760.00
			O&P/Proj Mgmt/Mobilization/Bonding & Insurance	\$4,203,690.00
			30 % Contingency	\$5,044,428.00
			Total	\$26,062,878.00
TOTAL TRAIL COST				\$26,062,878.00