Community Engagement and the Ludlam Trail

Friends of the Ludlam Trail
Tony Garcia, Cofounder + Chair
Putting it all together...

Ludlam Trail
The Underline
South Dade Greenway
Old Cutler Trail
Rickenbacker Causeway
Snapper Creek Trail
Black Creek Trail
Biscayne Everglades Greenway

Biscayne Trail
Southern Glades Trail
Amelia Trail
Commodore Trail
Atlantic Greenway
West End Greenway/Krome Avenue Path

GREEN MOBILITY NETWORK
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We started as a group of concerned neighbors working with the Green Mobility Network...
Who are Friends of the Ludlam Trail?

- Blossomed to over 30 organizations who are spreading the Ludlam Trail message!
- Thousands supporters signed up via website, and over 2,600 on Facebook!

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Victor Dover
Rick Santos
Peter Rabbino
Tony Garcia
Kristin Villasuso
Jennifer Enfield
Eric Katz
Ebru Ozer
Joan Caron
Douglas Thompson
Rails to Trail Conservancy
Toufic Zakharia
Caroline Parker

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Sam Van Leer (Urban Paradise Guild)
Bike Walk Coral Gables
South Miami Neighbors
Waterway Neighborhood Association
Ellie Quigley
Carolyn Ramsey
Urban Environment League
Stuart Grant
Miami Bike Scene
Dana Krempels
Christine Rupp
Alfred Lurigados, FECI
Richard Formoso
Making change happen is hard.
Establishing a consensus plan

- Monthly Steering Committee meetings
- Charrettes
- Meetings with staff + residents
How to understand the Ludlam Trail Plan

- Trail will go through buildings!
- Largest addition of new open space in urbanized area in 50 years.
- Limited park uses (light touch on buildings like bathrooms and shelters)
- Landscape buffer

75%  25%
Don’t take ‘no’ for an answer
1 month + $200k later....
What a difference a year makes!

November 2014

November 2015
Moving Forward - Ludlam Days!

- Monthly events along the trail
- Increased public input + exposure
- FECI + FOLT working together.
- Full public access within the year!

Miami Foundation Public Space Challenge!
Trail Improvements and Prep

- Unveil improvements every month
- We don’t need to spend millions to get things started!
- Expose more folks to the trail and improve over time.
Coral Gables Museum Exhibit
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Interactive Touchscreen Map – another chance for citizen input

District 6 Staff enjoying the selfie wall!
Fall Fest – November 2015
FAQ:

Remember this is CDMP - not zoning!
The CDMP sets general development limits (ie. densities, heights) and uses (ie. open space, or commercial). Different from the zoning process, which defines setbacks, parking requirements, buffers and landscaped areas.

Does FOLT support a buffer and limited park uses?
The upcoming zoning and master plan process will address these issues in a more detailed way. Exact details related to landscaped buffers, setbacks and allowable uses will be thoroughly discussed during the next phase of work.

Don’t we need a master plan that identifies buffers, shelters, landscape areas, bathrooms, parking, and other park amenities?
Yes! The CDMP is only the first step in a multi-year process. The next step will involve a master plan for the open space sections of the corridor, and setting zoning standards for the park and buildings nodes.

Does this mean I Can We Walk on the Trail Now Legally?
Not yet 😊 No trespassing beyond programmed activities for now.