

BEHA Policy
Proposed Walkway Connecting Bayview and Crestwood
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BEHA does not have authority to prohibit use of Maple Beach Road as a walking path between Crestwood and Bayview Drives. The BEHA board discourages use of Maple Beach Road as a walking path.

The BEHA board is receptive to pursuit of a walkway that connects Crestwood and Bayview Drives provided that the walkway:

- Completely connects Crestwood and Bayview Drives.
- Uses property that BEHA owns or is able to obtain easements for
- Is reasonable to maintain.

To date various options have been discussed. However, to date, no proposal meets the above requirements.

1. In 2002 a proposal was made to construct a walkway in Outlot 1 (path between lots 29 and 30).
 - This Outlot is the main drainage path from Bayview Drive/Bayview Court to Outlot 2 (Park).
 - Any walkway constructed would be washed away.
2. In 2002 a proposal was made to construct a walkway from the ditch along Crestwood Drive to the edge of lot 25.
 - This walkway would require persons using the walkway to enter/exit Maple Beach Road via a ditch not on a main intersection.
 - This is a higher risk activity than walking along the Maple Beach Road.
 - Construction of this walkway may make BEHA liable for accidents, since we would construct and encourage use of a walkway without safe access.

In order to construct a walkway between Crestwood and Bayview Drives appears it would require an easement from the property owner of lot 25 and easements from Milton Township (for ditches along Crestwood and Bayview).

Another alternative is to have the shoulder on Maple Beach Road widened. This alternative is not under BEHA authority.