Avon Township will hold a Public Information Meeting concerning proposed improvements to Nippersink Road. The proposed improvements include roadway pavement resurfacing, culvert replacement, and new shared use pathway between Millenium Trail and Wagonwood Road.

The Township is seeking public comments on the effects that proposed improvements to Nippersink Road will have on the Millenium Trail and Greenway. The Millennium Trail and Greenway is considered a significant, publicly owned, recreational facility. As such, it is subject to protection under Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966. For the Nippersink Road project, the Township intends to seek a Section 4(f) "exception" impact finding from the Federal Highway Administration based on a determination that the project will improve the features, attributes, or activities that qualify the Millenium Trail and Greenway for protection under Section 4(f).

Effects of the project on the Millenium Trail and Greenway may include up to 350 square feet (0.008 acres) of temporary impacts and new pathway connection. Detailed documentation describing the impacts and mitigation associated with the effects of the project on the Forest Preserve facility will be available for review at the meeting.

Details regarding the public information meeting are indicated below:

Date:	February 6, 2024
Time:	5:00 to 7:00 pm
Location:	Avon Township Center
	433 E Washington St
	Round Lake Park, IL 60073
Format:	Open House

Representatives of the Township and our engineering consultant, Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc., will be available to discuss the proposed roadway improvements and answer questions.

Written comments may be completed at the meeting or mailed in prior to the close of the comment period on February 20, 2024. Mailed comments are to be sent to Bob Kula, Highway Supervisor, Avon Township Highway Department, 433 E. Washington St, Round Lake Park, IL 60073. All interested persons are invited to attend the public information open house for this project and provide their comments.

The meeting will be accessible to persons with a disability. Anyone in need of special assistance and planning to attend should contact the Township at 847-546-1446 by February 2, 2024. If you are unable to attend, please provide your written comments to us by February 20, 2024, via email at <u>bob@avonil.us</u>.