



Proposed Chelsea Avenue Greenline, Memphis, Tennessee

The Chelsea Ave Greenline project involves a 2.4 mile section of abandoned Union Pacific railway from North Evergreen to Washington Park in Memphis. The Greater Memphis Greenline plans to transform this section into a new multi-use trail that links Midtown, New Chicago, Uptown, the Wolf River Greenway, The Mississippi River Trail, St. Jude, Rhodes College, and nearby schools. The proposed Chelsea Avenue Greenline also holds the potential to connect the completed CSX/Shelby Farms Greenline to the Uptown West area and a multi-use trail being funded through a Tiger Grant and tax increment financing.

The three Phase I Environmental Site Assessments that were done on the property in 2012 were funded by Shelby County's EPA Brownfields Community Wide Assessment Grant. These assessments set the stage for the Chelsea Avenue Greenline Project to be included in the Transportation Improvement Program as a City of Memphis Bike and Pedestrian Grouping Project. This project is scheduled to receive over \$1.1 million in federal funds with a local match of \$295,714. Thus, EPA's initial expenditure of \$8,838 for the three Environmental Site Assessments will result in a long-term investment of \$1,478,571 in federal transportation and local funds. The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Remediation staff provided technical oversight for Shelby County's EPA Brownfields grant.



This is a photo of the proposed Chelsea Avenue Greenline prior to redevelopment.



This is a drawing of what the Greenline could look like upon completion.