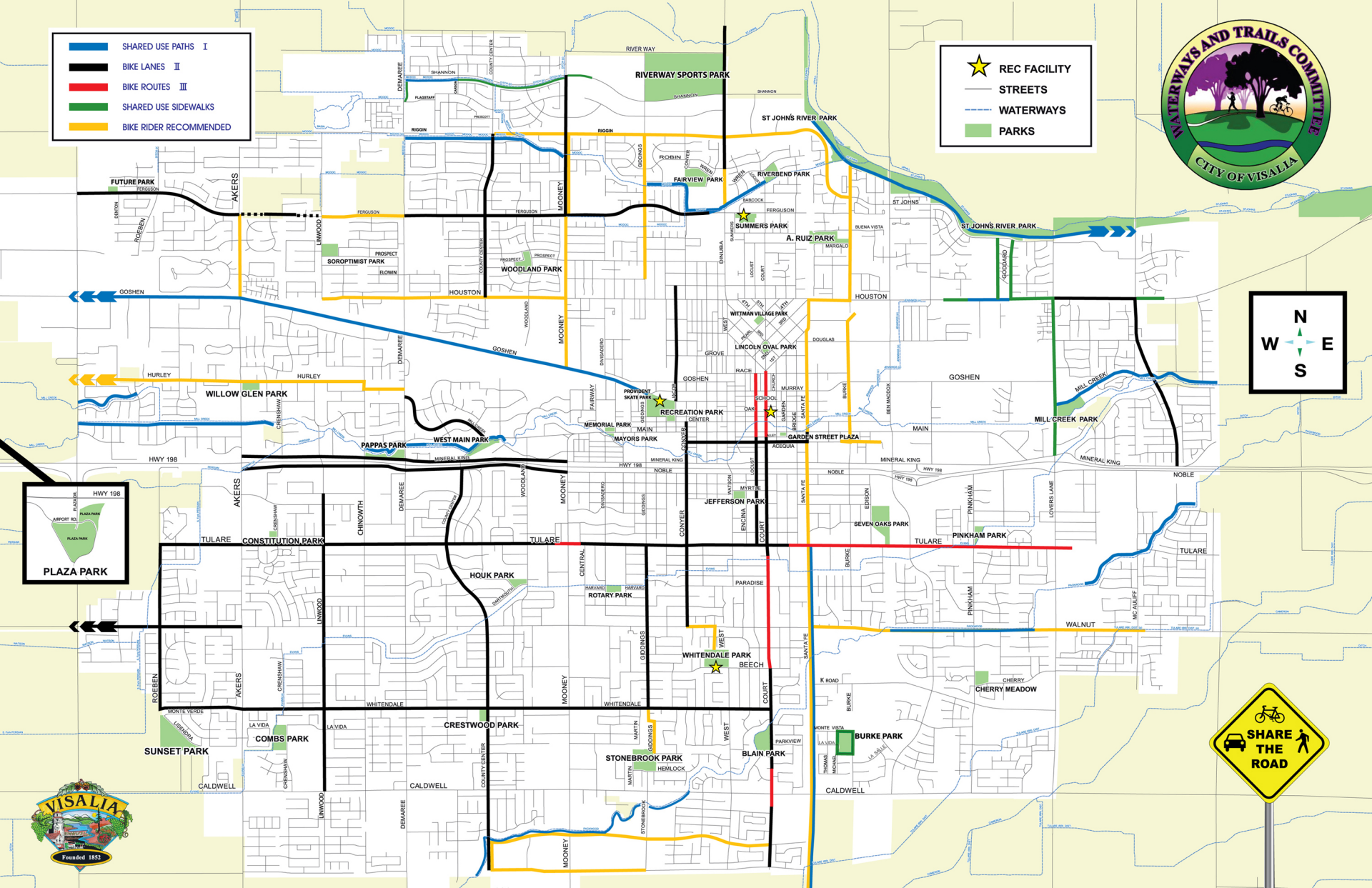


- SHARED USE PATHS I
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- STREETS
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VISALIA'S Bicycle Paths & Trails



Classifications of bicycle right of way designations



Pay attention to the other path users.

- Class 1 Bikeway** - Referred to as a Class 1 trail, multi-use trail or bike path. Provides for bicycle travel on a paved right of way completely separated from any street or highway.
- Class 2 Bikeway** - Referred to as a bike lane. Provides a striped lane for one-way travel on a street or highway.
- Class 3 Bikeway** - Referred to as a bike route. Provides for shared use with pedestrian or motor vehicle traffic. Marked only with signage.

WHEN RIDING ON PATHS OR TRAILS

Paths are for multi-purpose use including skaters, pedestrians, and bicyclist. Be courteous and obey trail use rules.

- Travel in the right hand lane.
- Pass on the left.
- Announce your passing to the other path users.
- Move off the path when stopping.
- Travel at speeds which are safe and appropriate.
- Pay attention to the other path users.

Bicycle Safety Tips

- WEAR A HELMET -** Always wear a helmet. Never wear headphones while riding a bike.
- OBEY TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND SIGNALS -** Bicycles must be driven like other vehicles if they are to be taken seriously by motorists.
- HAND SIGNALS -** Hand signals tell motorists and pedestrians what you intend to do. Signal as a matter of law, of courtesy and of self-protection.



- CHOOSE THE BEST WAY TO TURN LEFT 2 CHOICES -** (1) Like an auto, signal move into the left turn lane and turn left. (2) Like a pedestrian, ride straight to the far side crosswalk. Walk your bike across.
- DON'T PASS ON THE RIGHT -** Motorists may not look for or see a bicycle passing on the right. Learn to scan the road behind you while riding. Look back over your shoulder without swerving or use a rear-view mirror.

- SCAN THE ROAD BEHIND -** Learn to look back over your shoulder without losing your balance or swerving. Some riders use rear-view mirrors.
- MAKE EYE CONTACT WITH DRIVERS -** Assume that other drivers don't see you until you are sure that they do. Eye contact is important with any driver which might pose a threat to your safety.



USE LIGHTS AT NIGHT - The law requires a white headlight (visible from at least 500 feet ahead) and a rear reflector or taillight (visible up to 300 feet from behind).

KEEP BIKE IN GOOD CONDITION - Adjust your bike to fit you and keep it working properly. Check brakes and tires regularly. Routine maintenance is simple and you can learn to do it yourself.

BIKE AND RIDE

All Visalia City Coach buses are equipped with bicycle racks in the front of the bus. These bike racks are available to bus passengers at no extra charge. Each rack on the front of the bus holds two bicycles. Simple instructions are posted on the racks. Bikes in the rack don't touch each other, the bus or other vehicles.

The City of Visalia Waterways & Trails Committee developed the City's bike map to encourage more residents to use the bicycle transportation network. As the system expands this map will be revised. View the City's Bicycle Plan at the City of Visalia web site: www.ci.visalia.ca.us/park&recreation

CONTACT US:
The City of Visalia Waterways & Trails Committee meets on the first Tuesday of each month at City Hall, 707 West Acequia. For more information on Visalia's Bicycle Plan or to comment and make suggestions, send an e-mail to bike@ci.visalia.ca.us or call 713-4-2209.



Measure R is a 1/2 cent sales tax for transportation in Tulare County. The expenditure plan for Measure R includes funding for regional projects (50%), local programs (35%), transit / bike / environmental programs (14%), and administration (1%). The following bicycle facilities have been made possible in part by Measure R funding. For more information please visit: www.ctmeasure.com

- Saint Johns River Path
- Cameron Creek Path
- K Road Bike Path
- Packwood Creek