

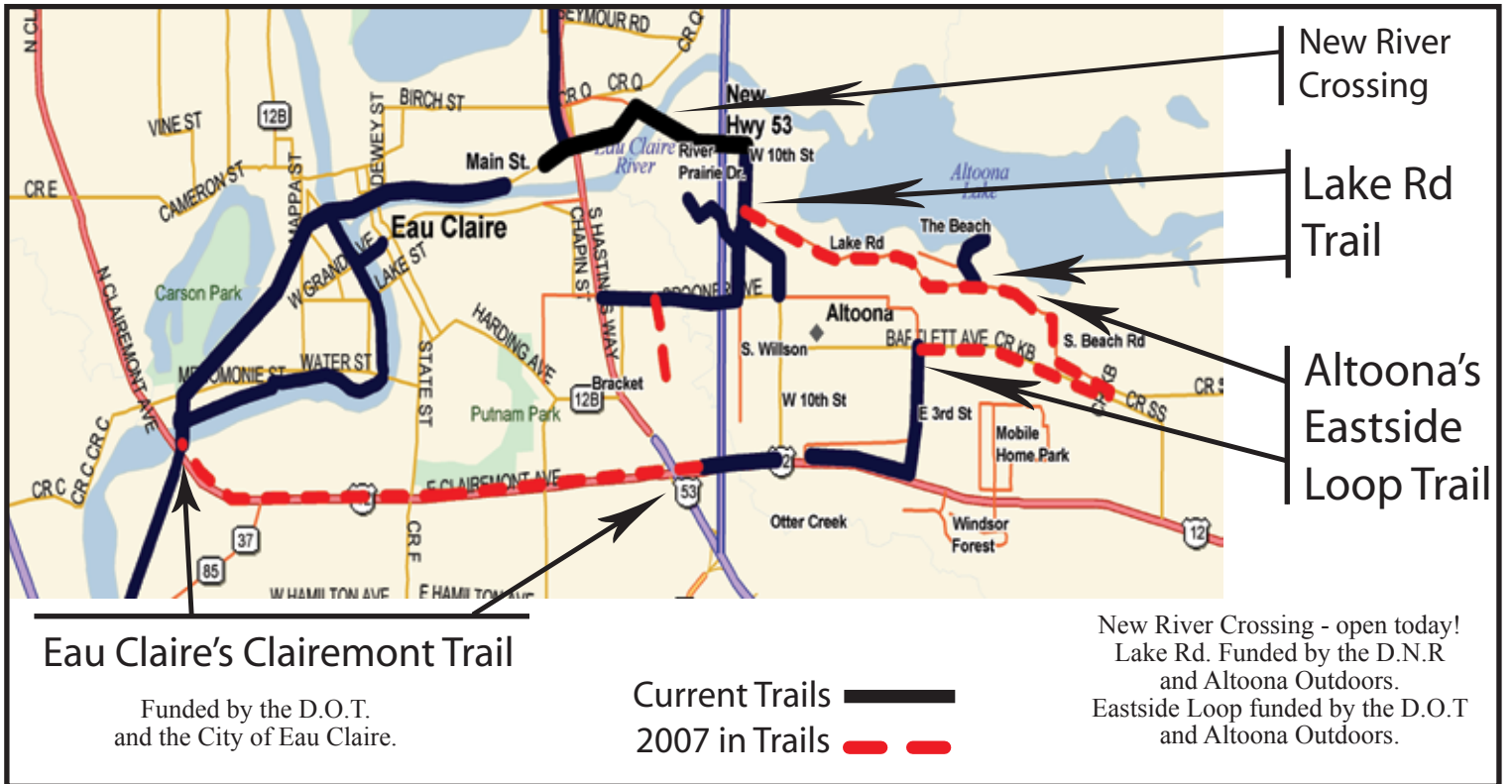
# Press Release

## New Bridge opens up the Eastside Loop Trail *Anonymous matching grant will help close the loop*



The opening of the new Birch St. / River Prairie bridge gives Altoona and Eau Claire residents another taste of what lies ahead when the 15-mile, off-street, 10-foot wide trail circles the two cities.

That loop, planned for completion in 2007, also just received a boost in the form of a \$52,000 matching grant to Altoona Outdoors. The grant, which matches dollar-for-dollar donations for the trail made before December 31st, covers half of the remaining \$104,000 costs of the two Altoona trails.



Interested bikers, walkers and fitness advocates can donate to the matching fund through Altoona Outdoors, 1111 Moonlight Dr. Altoona, WI 54720, or on-line at [www.AltoonaOutdoors.org](http://www.AltoonaOutdoors.org)

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