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## **Re: Arborway Parkway Improvements Project**

The National Association for Olmsted Parks (NAOP) applauds DCR's focus on the Arborway Parkway Improvements Project.

We continue to urge DCR to undertake improvements that maximize safety while minimizing loss of trees and greenspace; creatively use existing hardscape, where possible, rather than adding more hardscape; and provide safe and user-friendly pathways for bicyclists on both sides of the Arborway.

The Project offers a timely opportunity to restore a continuous linear park design in keeping with Frederick Law Olmsted's original plan.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment and look forward to further updates on this important project.

Sincerely,

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