



WISTER Woods

Mountain Bike Park Proposal

By Urban Energy Bicycle Collective and Philadelphia Trail Works

Transforming a liability into a community asset



Abandoned car

Greater access to the park will allow trail builders to clean up trash and cut tree-killing vines, increasing the ecological health of the woods.

The trail system will offer locals a natural engaging getaway in the midst of the urban environment.



Homeless Camp

Easy access to thrilling family-friendly recreation will contribute to socioeconomic growth increasing the health of the individual and the community.

“This is like our basketball, this is our stress reliever. If they want us off the street, they have to give us somewhere to ride, and right now, there’s no place for us to ride but the streets.” - Neighborhood Hero



Bike Life Culture



Trash



Wheelie Kids

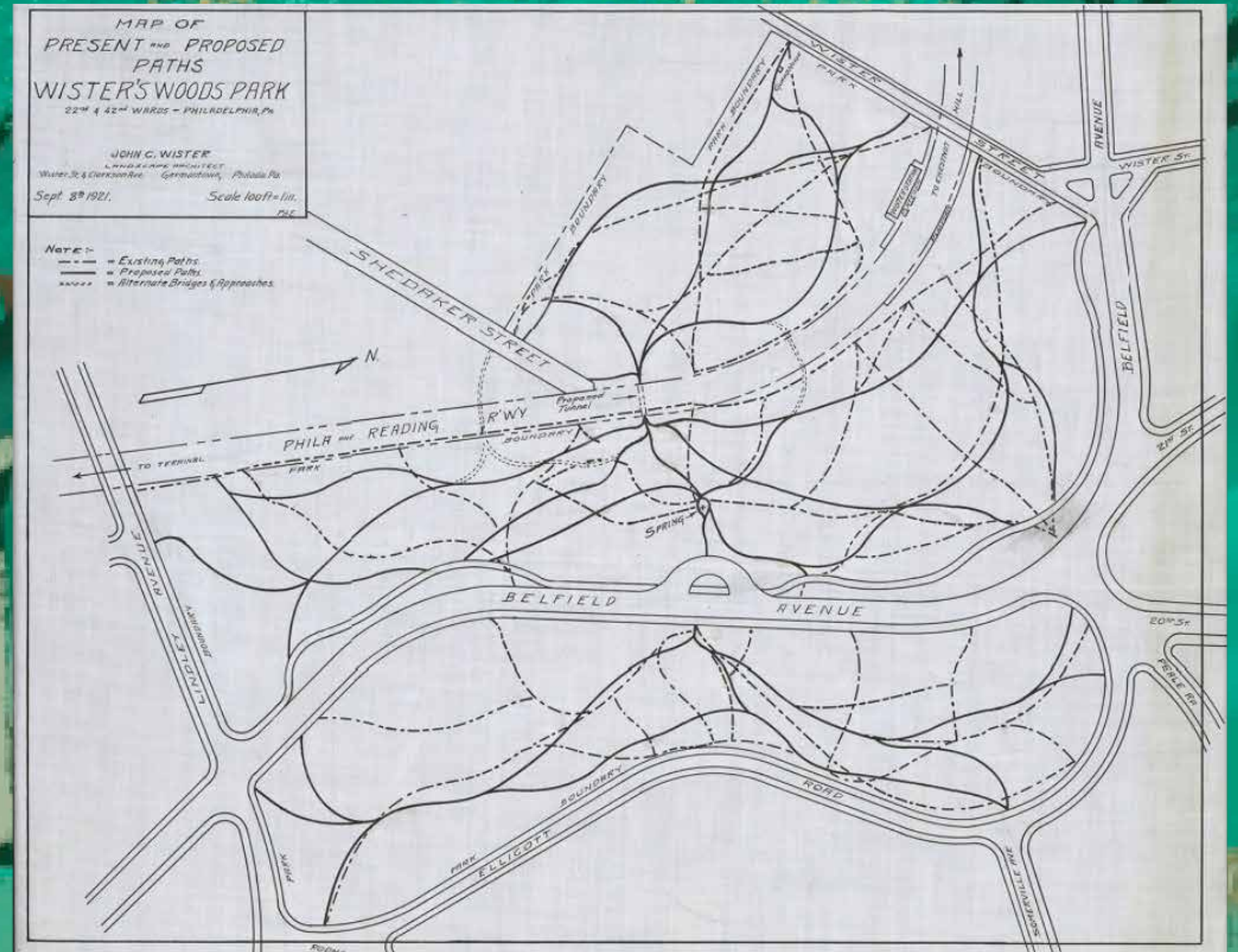


Wheels Up, Guns Down

“Nature will never betray the heart that loves her” - John Casper Wister

100 Years Ago...

John Wister, one of America's top horticulturalists, designed an extensive trail network connecting Wister Woods to the surrounding communities and offering a refreshing escape in nature.



...2023

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Goals

Create a world class mountain bike trail network with pump tracks and skill development zones

Offer trail features not available locally and meet the demand of a new generation of riders

Provide a positive outlet for extra energy and relieve the pressure on local trail systems

Lower the barriers to biking for inner city residents and provide a training ground for developing talent

Build a safe, sustainable, exciting bike park with a family-friendly atmosphere

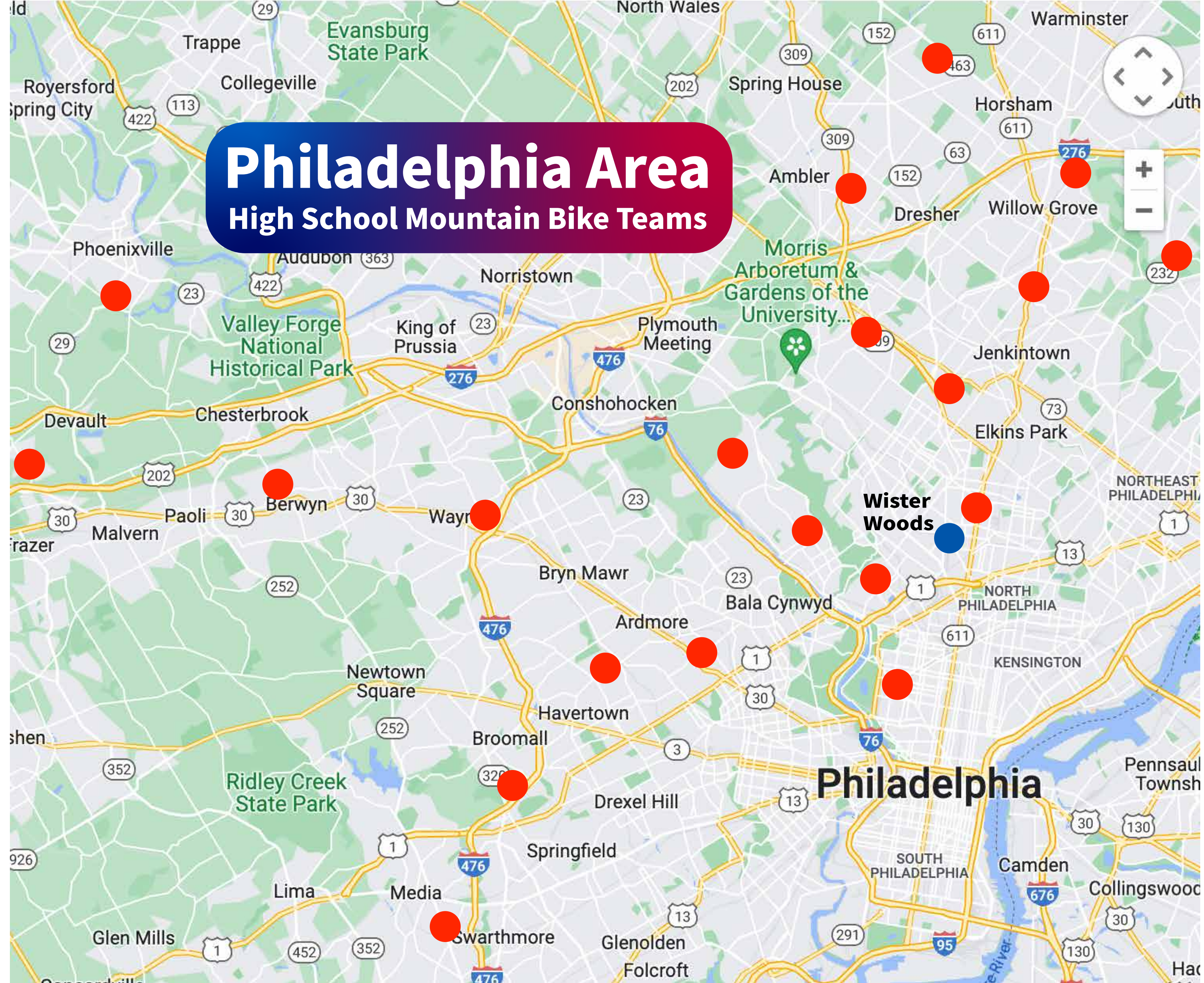


68 Teams in 2022 including...

Owen J. Roberts
Twin Valley School
Downingtown Composite
Trediffrin Eastown District

Philly Wiss Composite
Bucks County Composite
SoMont Composite
Lower Merion Trail Blazers

French Creek Composite
Phoenixville Inferno Composite
Delco Revolution Composite
Great Valley High School



10 Philly MTB Teams
3 - Philly Trail Systems
0 - Bike specific trails



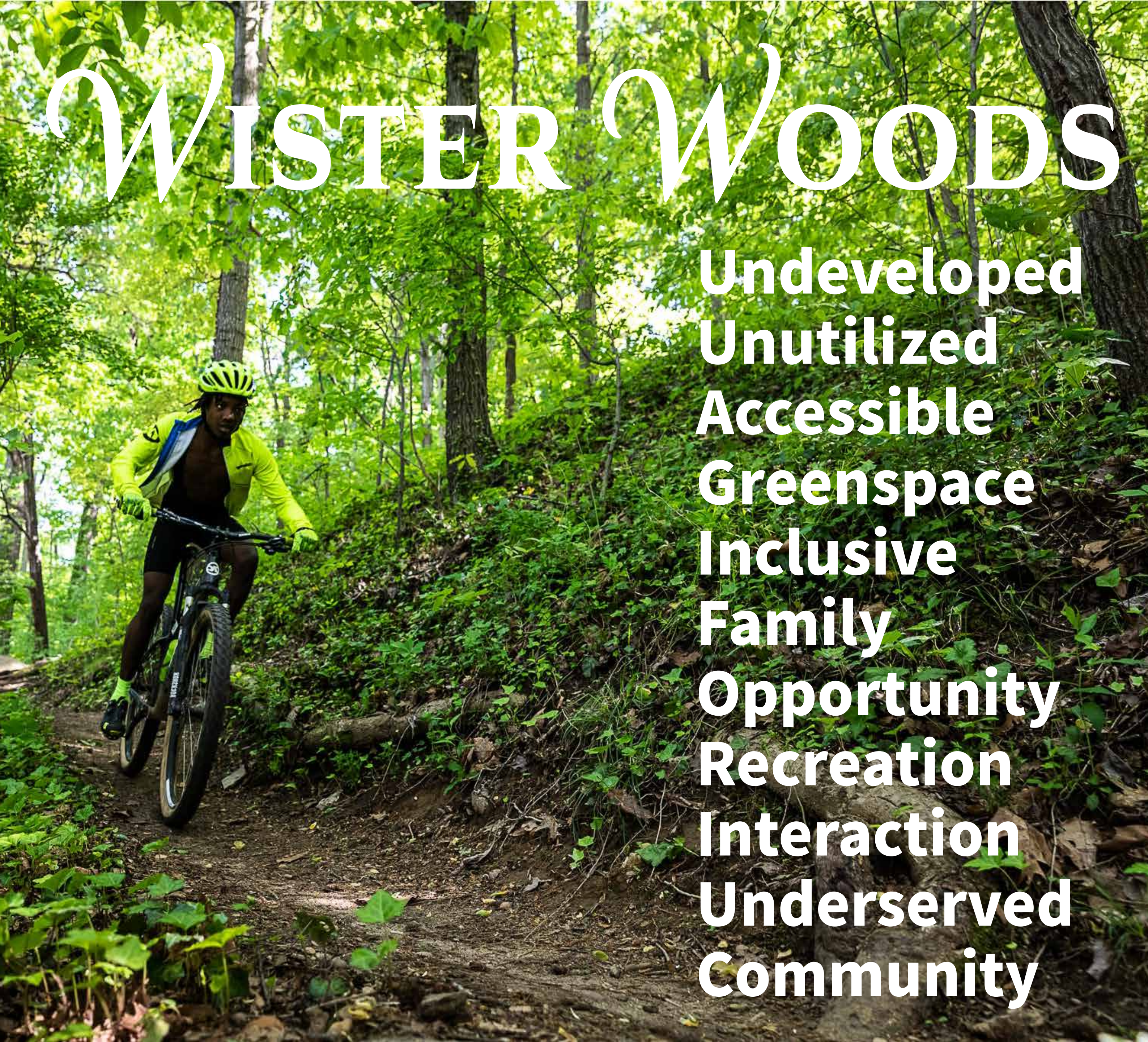
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Roxbourogh
Germantown
Mt Airy
Ogontz
West Oak Lane
Chestnut Hill

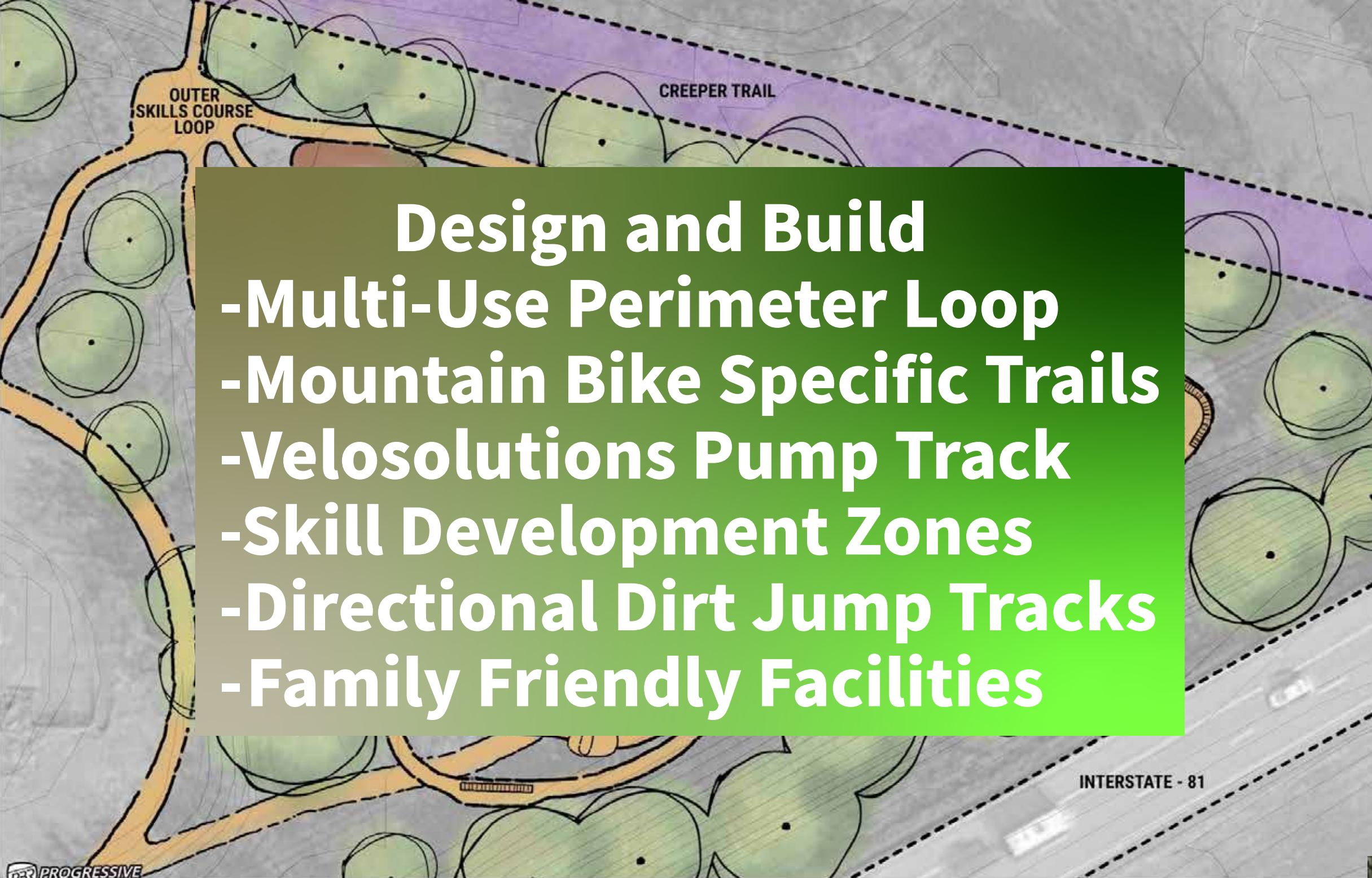
Abington
Cheltenham
Jenkintown
Hatboro-Horsham
Lower moreland
Upper moreland
Rocklege
Springfield



WISTER WOODS

Undeveloped
Unutilized
Accessible
Greenspace
Inclusive
Family
Opportunity
Recreation
Interaction
Underserved
Community





Design and Build
-Multi-Use Perimeter Loop
-Mountain Bike Specific Trails
-Velosolutions Pump Track
-Skill Development Zones
-Directional Dirt Jump Tracks
-Family Friendly Facilities





- Bike specific trails, pump tracks and skills areas for all abilities
- Designed to be world class, with expertly crafted features
- Family friendly facility will encourage social interaction
- Maximized sustainability with minimal environmental impact





- Sepparate 'Zones' for Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced riders
- Safety-first construction principles
- Features scale up slowly to build the required skills to progress
- Challenging , thrilling and most of all fun



Athletic and Personal Development

Wister Woods Bike Park will provide mentorship programs with the tools necessary for creating opportunities and pathways for personal growth.

Program leaders will set and encourage achievable goals while transferring knowledge and wisdom.

Ultimately participants will discover themselves by building the social skills necessary for success.





WISTER WOODS BIKE PARK

Building More Than a Bike Park....

Immersive experience in nature

Positive interpersonal relationships

Bonds of friendship by sharing adventures

Team Spirit by group cooperation

Self-confidence by overcoming obstacles

Self-reliance by assuming responsibility

Self-esteem by overcoming adversity

Community connections

Safe Space for developing advanced skills

Passion for a life-long sport

Healthy physical and mental lifestyle



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