Street markings make Green Circle easier to navigate

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(Photo: Contributed photo)

To help Green Circle users find their way, directional signs are being painted on selected streets in the Stevens Point urban area.

A green circle with white arrows will help bicyclists, hikers and joggers know where to turn. The work is being done under the direction of Portage County Parks staff working with parks and public works employees in several municipalities. They began the painting in Whiting and Plover.

Some users, including those who live in the urban area, have been confused about where the Green Circle travels on a few streets.

"The Green Circle Trail Board works hard to keep our trail safe, user-friendly and as naturally beautiful as possible. We are constantly assessing what can be done to ensure that," said Bev Laska, board president. "Our thanks to the local municipalities who help make this possible."

Trail users will notice the 2-foot round directional signs on Birch and Spring streets, Tommy's Turnpike, Third and Willard Street in Whiting and Plover. Road markings will also be painted on the McDill, Iverson Park and River Pines segments in the next several weeks.

As Green Circle board volunteers meet with municipal leaders for permission, they hope to more clearly identify trail directions on any sections users find puzzling. The cost is covered by donor contributions to the Green Circle Fund of the Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin.

Visit the Green Circle Facebook page at www.facebook.com/GreenCircleTrail with suggestions on where directional signs would be helpful along the trail. For more about the trail or how to give, visit http://greencircletrail.org.