

Choosing our Path for the Future

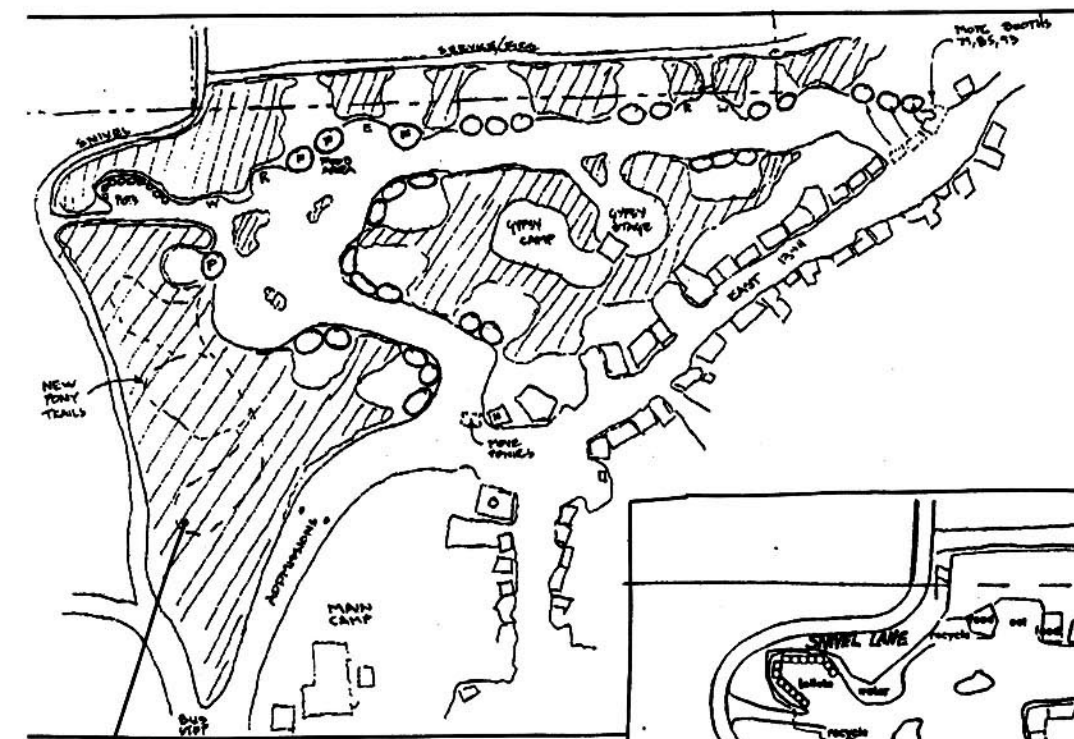
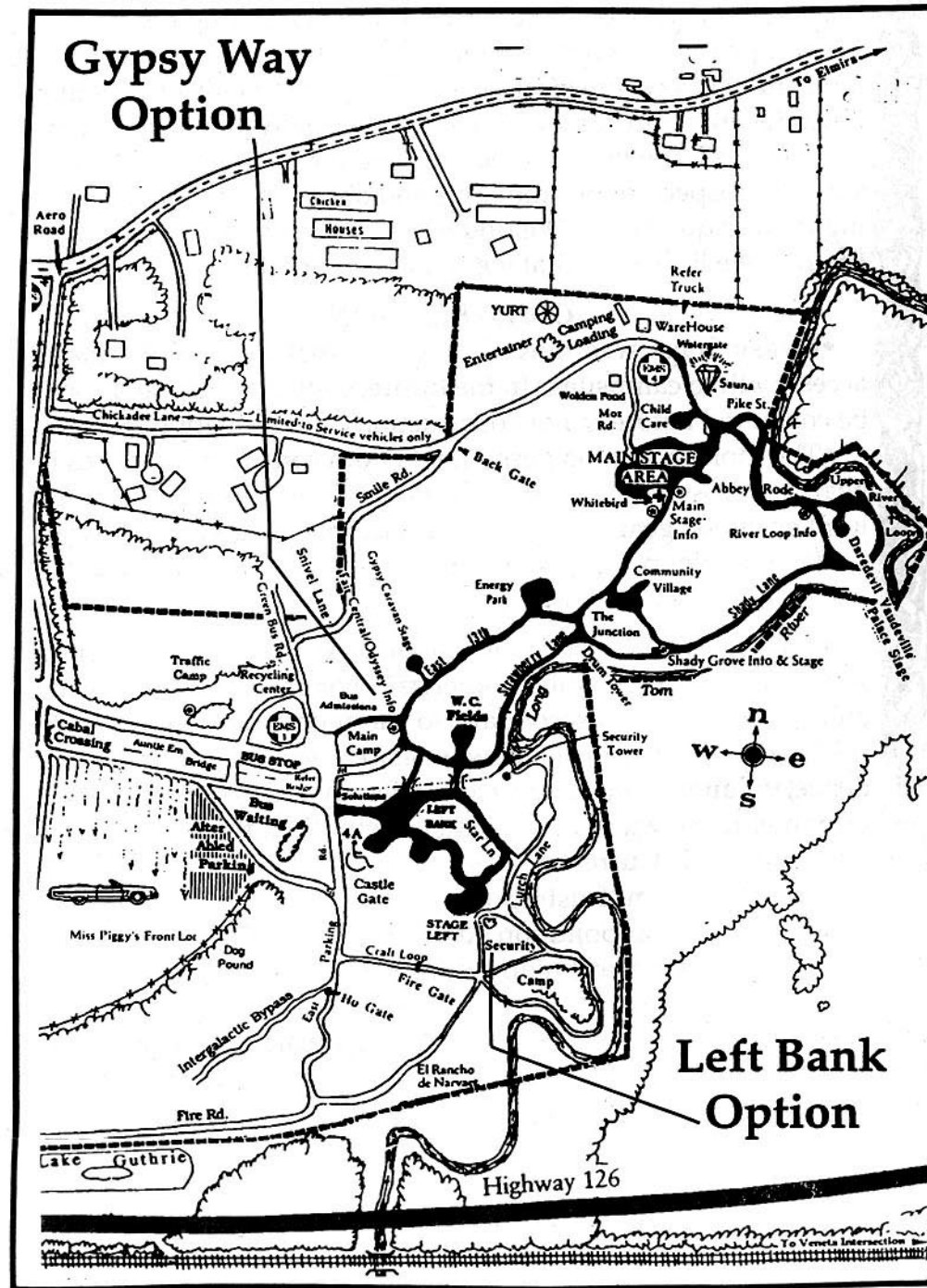
Path Planning Meeting
on September 30, 1996

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The path planning committee invites you to engage in a discussion about the various options for a replacement path on Monday, September 30, 7 pm at Central Presbyterian Church, 15th and Ferry in Eugene. The designs shown here are some that are being considered. They all have wonderful aspects to them, but they are not without shortcomings.

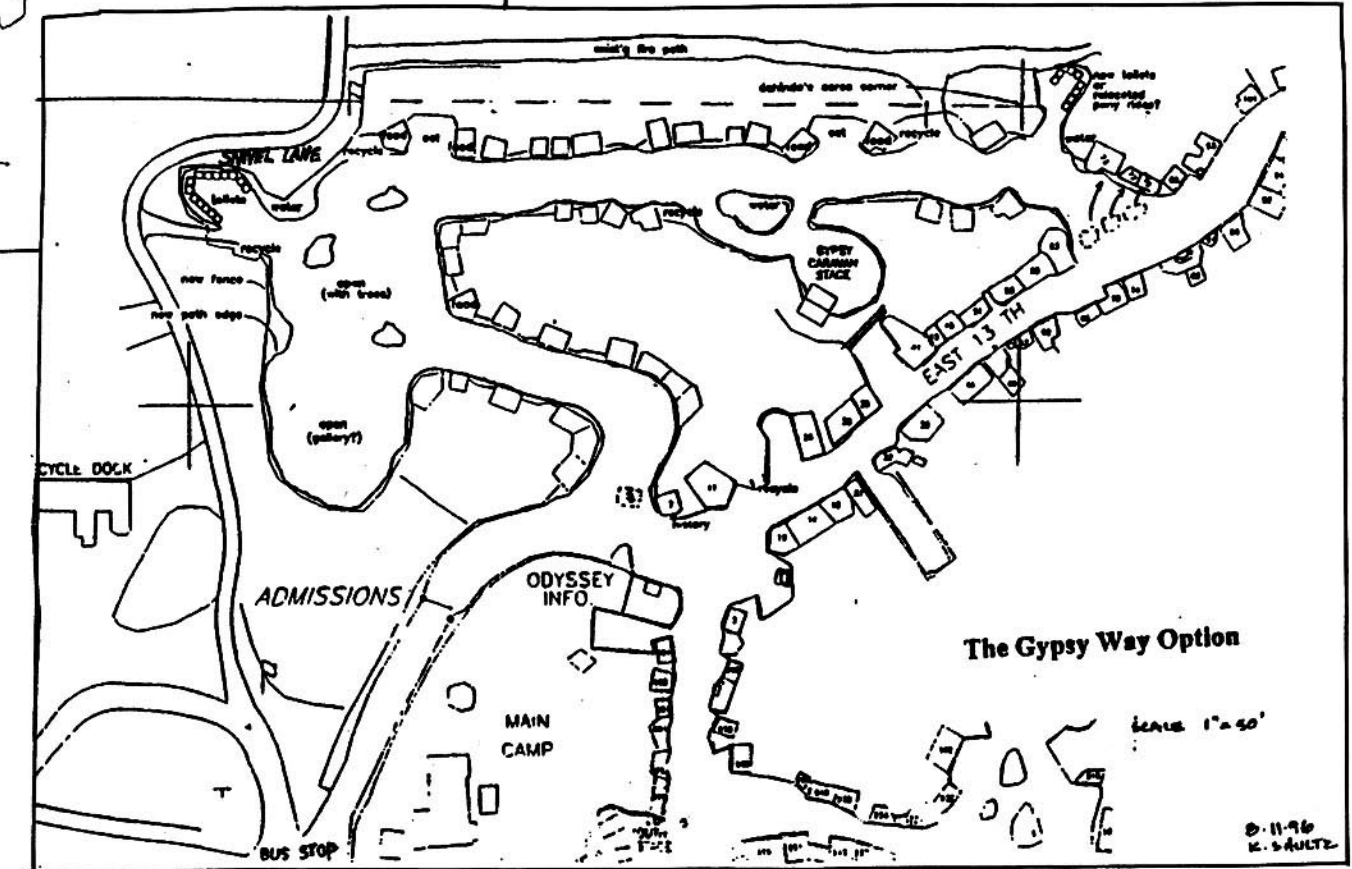
We envision one of these plans finished by Fair '97 and other elements to be implemented in following years. Other ideas are being explored including using the crafts lot area for a cultural and education center or possibly an alternate Main Stage location. Please contribute your ideas and comments.

A description of what is good and not so good about these designs, as well as our committee's recommendation, will be available at the OCF office prior to the meeting for your early consideration. The planning principles that will guide the committee's recommendation are listed below. The most important criteria is that the recommendation be in the overall best interest of the Fair.



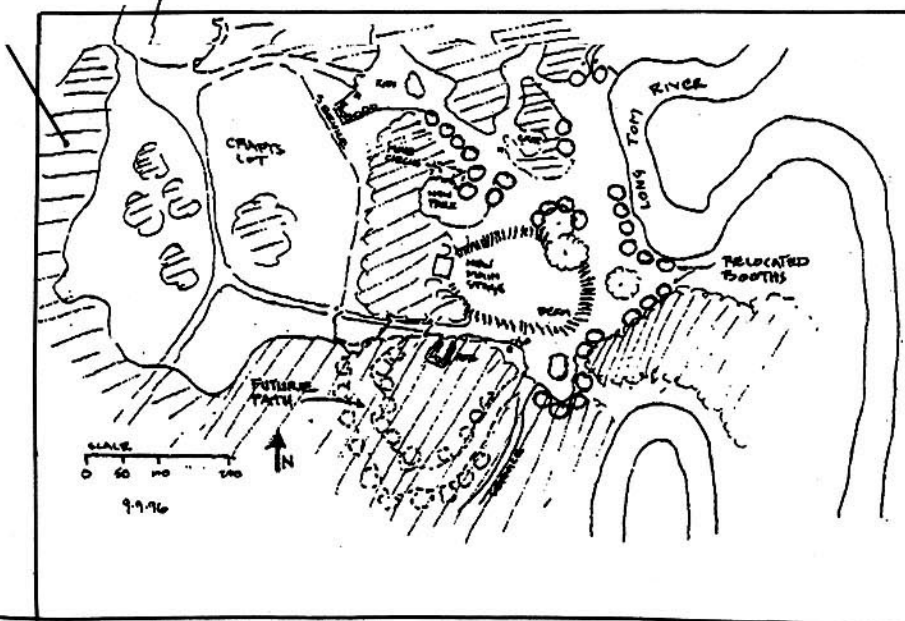
Gypsy Way Option

- The area is now mostly camping and pony ride trails with nice trees and brush.
- There are "no camping" zones indicated - brush area to be protected by woven fences.
- The area is shown with 26 relocated booths.



The Gypsy Way Option

Lined areas indicate "no camping" zones designated for brush restoration and/or preservation.



Left Bank Option

- The area is now mostly Security Camping.
- It is mostly sunny, open meadow.
- Most booths would have to be completely temporary (tents, tipis, cloth and sticks) and locations would change with the river.
- Circus Stage would have to move. A good permanent spot needs to be found.
- Some booths and a park or eating area could go in the Circus area.
- The new Main Stage could be larger than the current one.
- This area could be used as the "second events" grounds - re-using the stage and infrastructure.

Planning Principles for the Replacement Loop

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ENVIRONMENT

- Keep all new construction and soil disturbance at least 100 feet from the river.
- Enhance and protect native vegetation.
- Design paths that are green and barefoot-friendly.
- Establish vegetated buffers between campsites and paths.
- Protect large shade trees.
- Identify, protect, and avoid rare species/communities/habitat/wetlands.
- Minimize vehicle traffic on the river banks.
- Minimize damage to vegetation and the understory.
- Recognize watershed ecology principles re: soil and river bank erosion, enhancement/restoration of riparian areas etc.
- Avoid old river channels.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES

- Provide adequate, safe, and accessible (for vendors staff and the public):
 - a) drinking water (within 200 feet of

ENVIRONMENT

- every booth?)
- b) toilets and accompanying hand washing stands
- c) drinking fountains (every 500 feet?)
- Provide access for emergency response and services.
- Provide access for service vehicles and vendor load in/load out.
- Install oversized water mains and communication lines to accommodate future development.
- Provide for adequate dust control.
- Provide an adequate number of food booths.
- Provide a path wide enough to reduce congestion.
- Plan for adequate greywater and other waste disposal.
- Provide emergency exits.

AESTHETICS/PATH DESIGN

- Create shady rest areas and lounges with benches along stream banks.
- Take advantage of views of the river.
- Take advantage of big trees.
- Create/allow for plenty of open space—cluster booths.
- Create interesting public spaces.

- Design cafe seating into plan.
- Create interpretive signs.
- Provide activities to attract the public and enhance their (our) enjoyment of the event.
- Design service roads to reduce/eliminate vehicular traffic in the loop.
- Design all structures for the flood plain.
- Provide adequate tent camping areas for vendors.
- Design with alter-abled access in mind.
- Create quiet areas.

SECURITY

- Create and maintain emergency access routes.
- Design controllable perimeters.
- Minimize opportunity for trespassers and sneakers.
- Control access for pedestrians and vehicles.
- Create open lines of sight along perimeters, fences.
- Build effective fences and barriers.
- Prevent passage across Indian Creek, Long Tom River.

