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Please find attached an article from the Tuam Herald which clearly shows the map obtained under an FOI on the Department of Transport tourism and Sport in regard to the original drafts of the National Greenway Strategy.

This map was shown to the NWRA planners Conall McGettigan and Frank Flanagan at a meeting in Tuam on February 4th 2019 to discuss the proposed Western Rail Trail inclusion in the revised RSES.

The map was not included in the final draft National Greenway Strategy as it was decided not to name specific projects in the plan from any part of the country. The campaign group always felt this was both strange and a great pity.

However, in the minds of the Campaign for the Western Rail Trail - the very existence of this map and suggested schematic for national greenway strategy clearly shows what the thinking is within the Department of Transport, for this reason we feel sure including the idea within the newly revised RSES will be well met within the Department of Transport, this is how they are already thinking.

I am asking that this newspaper article and disclosure of this map from an FOI source should be added to the evidence presented by the Western Rail Trail to the NWRA planners to include the Western Rail Trail in the newly revised RSES.

Many thanks
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For and on behalf of the Western Rail Trail Campaign

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