
The Grizzly Grand Prix Comes to Franklin

*How a Franklin College Tradition Interacts
with the City of Franklin*



The Current Situation

-Akin to the “Little Five” at Indiana University, but on a smaller scale

A 37 year old Franklin College tradition

-A bicycle race held in conjunction with an on-campus festival

-The original tradition included 1-2 races that took place in a loop around campus.



The Current Situation

- GGP 2015 took place on the first Saturday in May at the Masonic Circle.
 - Two races: an 11 am women's race and a 2pm men's/co-ed race
 - Included ten teams of five riders each per race
 - With two exceptions, riders are exclusively college students.
 - We admitted one team of alumni and one team from the community.
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The Need for Change

-GGP is a lackluster event that needs to be recharged for the sake of the college and the sake of the community.

-Current Issues:

- distance from campus and festival

- lack of student engagement, participation, and interest

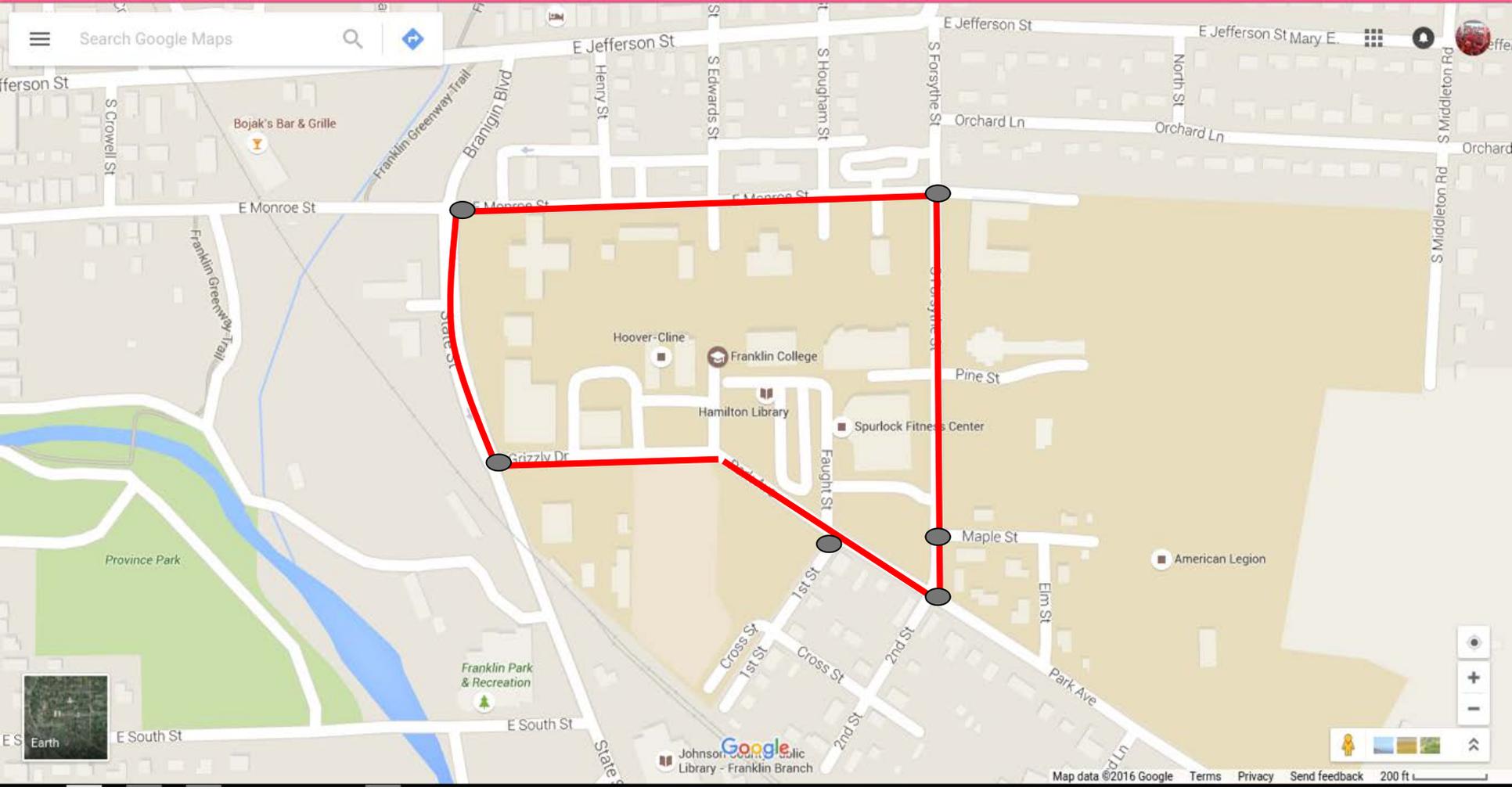
- lack of cultural significance



Proposed Change

-Therefore, in order to redevelop this event as a vibrant FC tradition, we request to reroute GGP around Franklin College's campus, which would temporarily close **Monroe St., Forsythe St., Branigin Blvd., Grizzly Dr., and Park Ave** on April 30th, 2016 from approximately 9am-4pm.

Proposed Route for GGP 2016





Proposed Change

- Affected traffic areas: Greensburg Rd. access to campus/downtown Franklin, thru traffic on First, Second, and Cross St., and student parking
 - Fortunately, both Monroe St. and Forsythe St. end on campus.
 - Both South St. and Home Ave. provide access to downtown Franklin from State St.
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Benefits of Proposed Change

- Ultimately, our goal is to restore the cultural significance of GGP as a Franklin College tradition and create a larger event that can be enjoyed by not only college students, but by City of Franklin residents, as well.
 - Bringing GGP back to campus will reunite the race with the GGP festival, allow us to expand the scope of the event, and restore a sense of meaning to the race.
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Thank You
