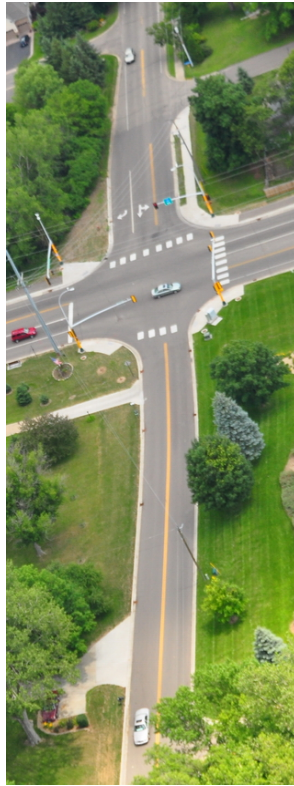


Don't let Bushaway's
Tree-Covered Road



Turn into a concrete
strip like this:



Bushaway Preservation Fund



Bushaway Rd at Dawn next to Brooks/Stielow Estate

To sign up for notification of informational meetings, send your name and e-mail address to Nancy Kehmeier nancykeh@me.com, who maintains the mailing list and web site: <http://bushaway.wetpaint.com>. While 34 home owners reside on Bushaway, our mailing list includes nearly 200 supportive persons.

The Bushaway Preservation Fund was created in 2009 to cover costs of the Bushaway neighborhood in its research and negotiations to preserve the historic and scenic character of Bushaway. An executive committee of 13 members manages the Bushaway Preservation Fund organization.

Send donations to: Bushaway Preservation Fund, c/o Ron Anderson, Treasurer, 663 Bushaway Rd, Wayzata. (rea@umn.edu). Be sure to include your address (e-mail or U.S. mail) so we can acknowledge your donation.

Officially, Bushaway is the Wayzata segment of County Road 101 between 394 and Gray's Bay Bridge. Arguably the most beautiful segment of 101, it features stone walls and iron gates hiding among hundreds of oaks, maples and weeping willows. This was the first, or one of the first, roads officially surveyed after Minnesota became a State in 1858, 151 years ago. Its country feel with dense trees all around deserves to be preserved rather than destroyed as the County Highway Department would do. (See next page.)

For information about Bushaway Road history, scenic photos, and progress on the County's design for Bushaway reconstruction, go to <http://bushaway.wetpaint.com>

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On Sept. 3, 2009, Hennepin County Engineers presented new design drawings for rebuilding Bushaway Rd. Their plan would have:

- removal of at least 350 trees
- removal of 2 houses on McGinty Rd
- destruction of several front yards
- 4,200 ft of retaining walls 2 to 13 ft high about 80% of Bushaway between McGinty and Wayzata Blvds will have retaining walls on both sides of the road
- center medians (raised concrete) approaching the McGinty, Wayzata Blvd, and the Locust Hills Drive intersections, which will make left turns impossible for 5-6 owners
- 5-lane approaches on Bushaway to the McGinty intersection
- curb and gutter throughout
- the current road footprint of about 36 to 46 ft will be replaced by road widths of 52 to 150 ft with an average of at least 70 ft
- 5 or 6 “fence conflicts” remaining, which implies means some will still lose their fences
- an 8 ft trail throughout, separately by 2-3 ft of grass

The Bushaway Preservation Fund has already:

- Created a regularly updated web page with 100s of pages (www.wetpaint.bushaway.com)
- Commissioned a historical study of Bushaway, which argues against major rebuilding
- Retained an Attorney
- Organized informational events

What can you do?

- Talk informally to Wayzata City Council members
- Attend City Council meetings and speak on behalf of Bushaway
- Sign up for notices of future informational events
- Donate to the Bushaway Preservation Fund to pay for attorney and engineering consultant fees (See back cover.)

Scenic & Cultural Heritage

Bushaway is more than a road from Shakopee to Dayton. It is a scenic, forested connection through Wayzata, continuing around the lake. Behind the stone walls and gate posts stand gracious houses in the Big Woods and on Wayzata Bay. Many houses remain from the first half of the 1900s. Century old oaks, maples and weeping willows align the roadway and lend their natural beauty to the scenic drive as it wends its way through the historic Bushaway neighborhood. It can best be appreciated by driving in autumn from Grays Bay Bridge up the colorful corridor all the way to Wayzata Blvd.



Aerial view of most of lower Bushaway showing Wayzata Bay on the left, Gray's Bay at bottom, and the Locust Hills Lagoon on the right. Look carefully to see the McGinty intersection.