

# New signs on the way for 110-mile Canalway

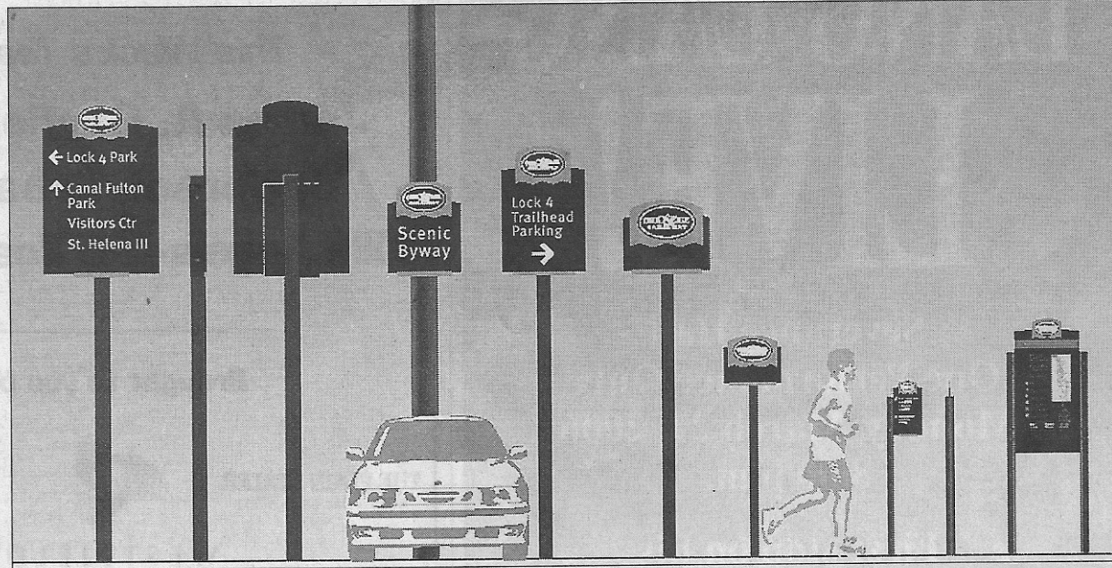
The Ohio & Erie Canalway Association has unveiled the draft of new signs that will one day be a familiar sight for users of the Towpath Trail, the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad and federally designated "scenic" roadways.

All are part of the national heritage corridor that stretches 110 miles from Cleveland to New Philadelphia. The corridor features historic and cultural attractions near remnants of the Ohio & Erie Canal, which revolutionized Ohio's trade and transportation in the 1800s.

As proposed, the new signs will feature a blue-green oval, with "Ohio & Erie Canalway" in white lettering on a pumpkin-toned background.

The Cleveland Planning Commission gave conceptual approval last Friday, despite staff concerns that the signs lacked the "eye catching" visuals of successful icons.

Representatives of the canalway association said the design could undergo more tweaking, as the association seeks the approval of four counties and dozens of local jurisdictions



Officials from the Ohio & Erie Canalway Association have unveiled new signs that will mark the Towpath Trail, national scenic roads, historic railroad stations and other attractions that are part of a national heritage corridor.

along the corridor. A final design could be announced by April.

The new signs will replace the 300 red, white and blue Canalway signs

that now mark the corridor's scenic roads.