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ROUND 2: DRAFT PLANS REVIEW

OVERVIEW

- ▶ We are updating our Parks Master Plan and our Recreational Trails Master Plan.
- ▶ The focus for this work is **OUTDOOR** parks, open spaces, waterfront areas, and recreational trails managed by the City of West Kelowna.
- ▶ These plans will help guide how the City plans, manages, and invests in parks and recreational trails systems for the next 10 years and beyond.
- ▶ Draft Master Plans have now been developed based on input shared in Round 1. We'd like your feedback on potential refinements before the plans are finalized.

WHAT'S THE PROCESS?



How to share your feedback!



TALK WITH US!

City staff are here today to answer your questions and discuss the draft plans



POST YOUR FEEDBACK

Add your comments on our display posters about your thoughts on the draft plans



COMPLETE A FEEDBACK FORM

Submit online or drop a paper version at the Open House today or to City Hall by May 24, 2024

THE BIG PICTURE

How plans work together to get things done:

A city is complex and interconnected. Planning helps us stay organized and focused so that progress is sustained and important projects get done. Below is a summary of how different City plans work together.



Putting it all together:

AN EXAMPLE OF PLANNING TO IMPLEMENTATION

- ▶ The last OCP envisioned a thriving waterfront for West Kelowna.
- ▶ The 2010 Parks Master Plan and the Waterfront Master Plan both identified renewal of the CNR Wharf into a new aquatic park as a community priority.
- ▶ A CNR Wharf Plan and Design were created and Phase 1 of the aquatic park became a reality in 2014.

Is completing Phase 2 of CNR Wharf still a priority?

Please fill out a feedback form to confirm if it should remain a priority for the next 10 years!



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WHAT WE HEARD

Round 1 Engagement Highlights

Below is a snapshot of input collected through the first round of engagement on our combined process for the Parks Master Plan and Recreational Trails Master Plan. The summary includes input on people's impressions of parks and trails in West Kelowna today and ideas shared about future priorities.

WEST KELOWNA PARKS MASTER PLAN



ELEMENTS OF THE PARKS NETWORK that participants are **more satisfied** with

- ▶ Natural park spaces
- ▶ Picnic areas
- ▶ Recreational trails
- ▶ Playgrounds
- ▶ Furnishings

ELEMENTS OF THE PARKS NETWORK that participants are **less satisfied** with

- ▶ Fields (baseball, softball, rectangular / multi-use, and lighting)
- ▶ Park washrooms
- ▶ Public docks
- ▶ Aquatic play features

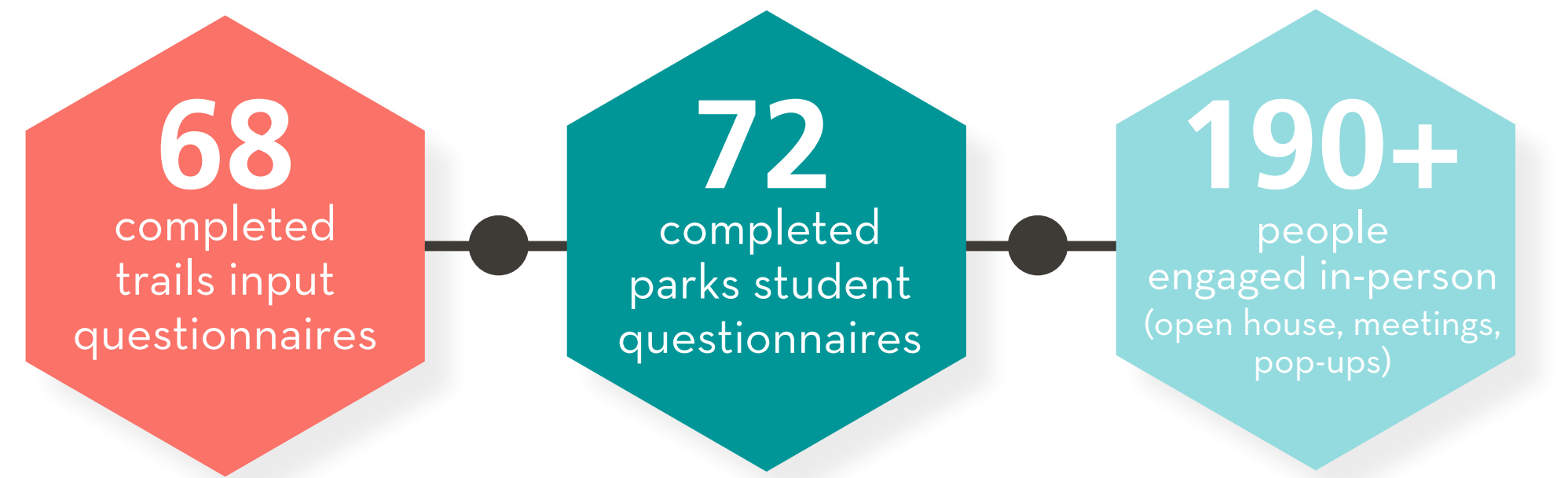
TOP PRIORITIES that remain relevant from the 2016 Parks Master Plan

- 1 New grass sports fields
- 2 Upgrades to existing sports fields
- 3 Continued protection of Mount Boucherie
- 4 Updates to waterfront accesses
- 5 Extension of waterfront trail connections

IDEA THEMES about what people would like to see prioritized in the future for parks

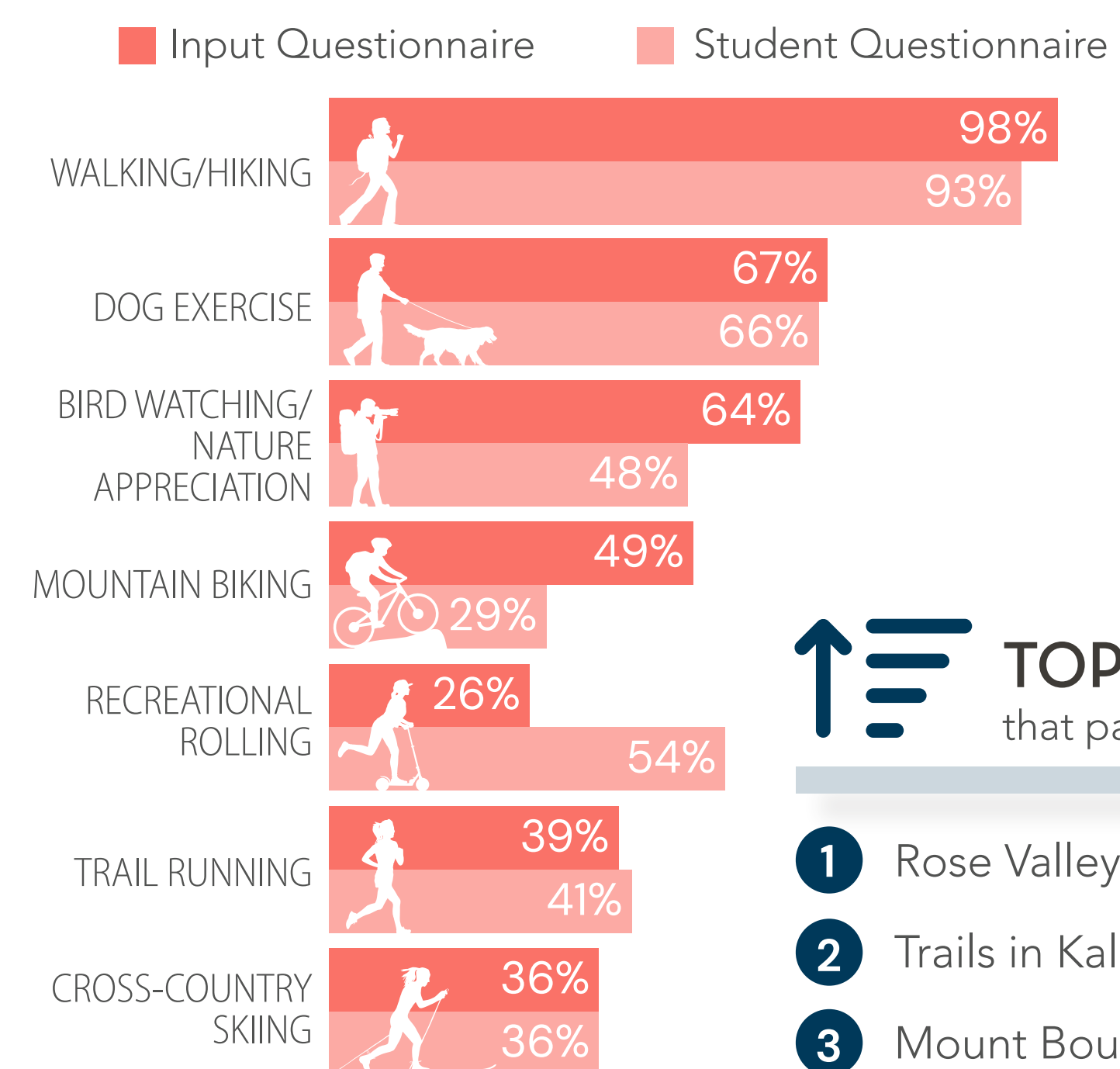
- Improving Existing Parks
- Parks Acquisition
- Sports Facility Improvements
- New Activities
- Playgrounds
- Pets in Parks
- Lakefront
- Leisure and Gathering
- Safety
- Operations & Maintenance / Asset Management

WEST KELOWNA REC TRAILS MASTER PLAN



RECREATIONAL TRAILS ACTIVITIES

participants reported doing each of the following activities at least a few times/year



TOP 3 TRAILS that participants reported

- 1 Rose Valley Trails
- 2 Trails in Kalamoor Regional Park
- 3 Mount Boucherie Trails

KEY FUTURE PRIORITIES for managing and growing the recreational trails network

- ▶ Expand/add new trails in urban areas
- ▶ Expand/authorize trails in backcountry areas
- ▶ Enhance maintenance of existing trails
- ▶ Establish/improve codes of conduct and trail use guidelines

IDEA THEMES about what people would like to see for the future

- Existing Network Improvements
- Quality and Safety
- Mapping and Wayfinding
- Trail Use Management/ Asset Management
- Natural Environment Protection
- Amenities

OVERVIEW

Need more information?
Review the maps on
the display tables.

How to Explore the Draft Plan Recommendations

Because they have a 10-year outlook, the Draft Master Plans contain a number of recommendations for the future! While we'd love for you to review them all, you can also use the displays to seek out the ones that are priorities to you or that you'd like to learn more about. The information below explains how.

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY FORMAT

On the displays, there is an overview summary for each draft recommendation with the following details:



RELATIVE COST LEGEND

Recommendations include estimated resources for implementation. This information is meant for project budgeting, phasing, and comparative costing. Costs will continue to be clarified through future steps for specific projects. Symbols used are as follows:

CAPITAL DOLLARS

- \$ = <\$50,000
- \$\$ = \$50,000 - \$100,000
- \$\$\$ = \$100,000 - \$250,000
- \$\$\$\$ = \$250,000 - \$500,000
- \$\$\$\$\$ = \$500,000 - \$1,000,000
- \$\$\$\$\$\$ = \$1,000,000+

CAPACITY RESOURCES

- Person icon = Staff Time (existing capacity)
- Group of people icon = Staff Increase
- Handshake icon = Support to Others

RECOMMENDATION CATEGORIES

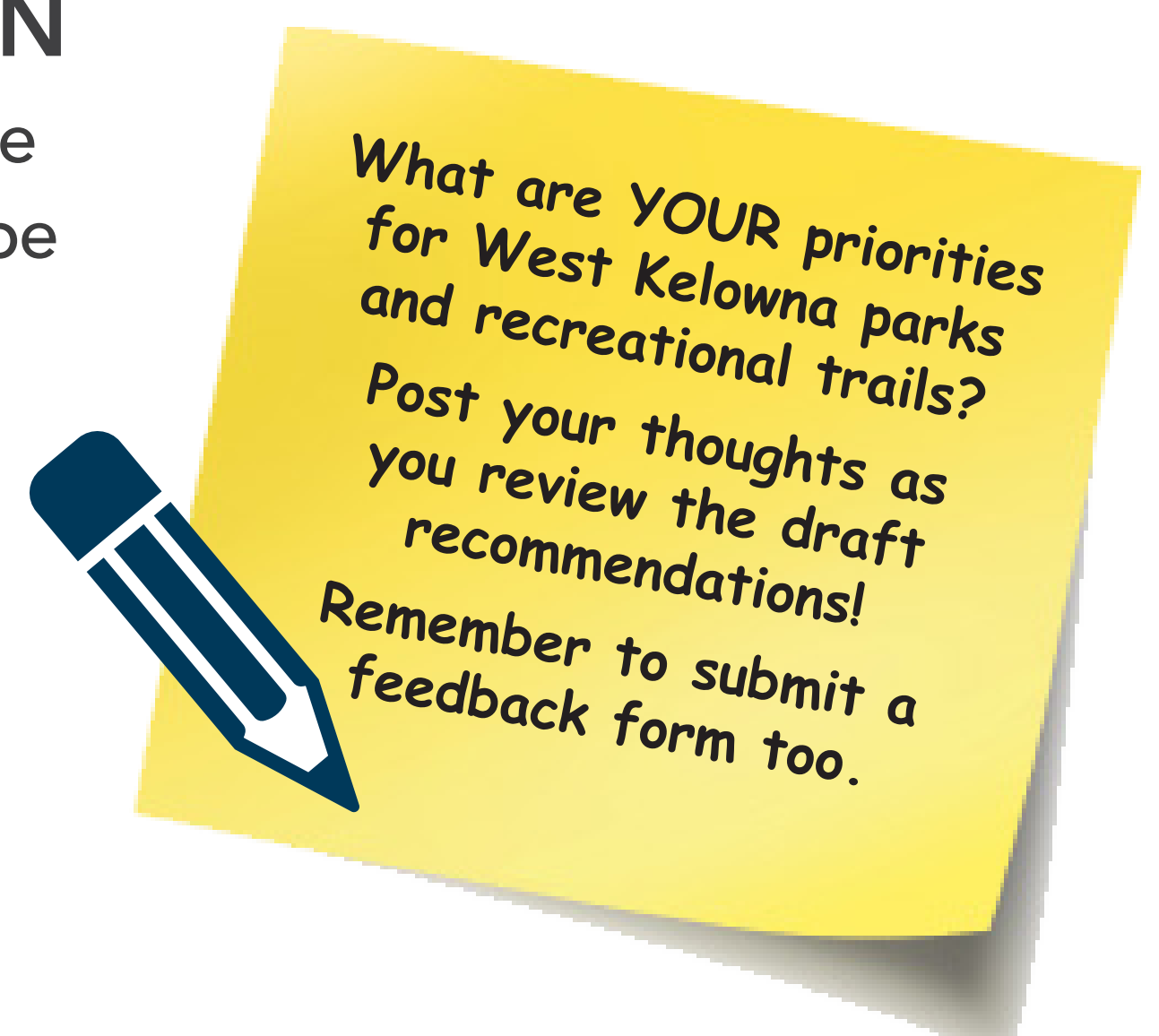
In each Draft Master Plan, draft recommendations are organized into the following categories:

- Parkland Quantity & Quality Management:** Planning directions on where and how the parks network could grow and actions for maintaining the quality of the network as it grows.
- Park Improvements:** Projects for improving or developing existing parks to continue to meet the needs and interests of residents.
- Location-Specific:** Upgrades to the City's most in-demand parks and recreational areas so they continue to meet the current and future needs of residents.
- Service Delivery:** Ideas for policy development, planning initiatives, management strategies, and information distribution to support the parks network.

- Trail Planning & Development:** Actions for planning and development of the recreational trails network to make it safe, comfortable, and enjoyable.
- Trail Management:** Directions for caring for the recreational trails network so it continues to provide long-term community benefit.
- Capital Projects:** Larger projects addressing key connections that have a recreation focus.

IMPLEMENTATION

Recommendations in the Draft Master Plans will be implemented over time and as resources allow. Please complete a feedback form to record your priorities about what should be completed first!



LEARN MORE!

The Draft Master Plan documents have more detail about each recommendation. Look for the "Learn More" symbol for Master Plan page references.



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PARKS MASTER PLAN

OUR PARKS



About the Parks Master Plan Update

We created our first Parks Master Plan in 2010 and updated it in 2016. Since then, many of the priorities identified in these earlier plans such as the CNR Wharf upgrades, the Annette Beaudreau Amphitheatre, playground additions, field and court upgrades, and more have been completed. Now it's time to set priorities for the next 10 years!

WHAT'S A PARKS MASTER PLAN?

A Parks Master Plan provides overall direction and guidance for managing parks, resources, infrastructure, and investment over a long-term (10-year) horizon.

WHY ARE WE UPDATING THE PLAN?

- ▶ **Growth:** Since 2016, our community has grown and both global and local trends have affected how we use our parks.
- ▶ **New ideas:** We've also heard new ideas from the community about how we can improve parks.
- ▶ **Set priorities:** We need to consider what priorities to carry forward for the next 5-10 years.

PARK SYSTEM GOALS

Goal 1: Celebrate Our Water	Goal 2: Protect Our Environment & Showcase Our Natural Playground	Goal 3: Connect Our Community	Goal 4: Leave a Legacy for the Future	Goal 5: Support a Healthy, Vibrant, and Active Community	Goal 6: Support a Thriving West Kelowna

WHAT'S IN THE DRAFT PLAN?

- ▶ An **INTRODUCTION** to parks planning and the process.
- ▶ An overview of West Kelowna's current **CONTEXT**.
- ▶ **ANALYSIS** of West Kelowna's current parks network.
- ▶ A **FRAMEWORK** for the future, including six updated guiding goals (see lower left).
- ▶ A set of **37 DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS** to enhance West Kelowna parks network, with details about why they are recommended, design considerations, actions, and costs.
- ▶ An **IMPLEMENTATION SUMMARY** outlining short, medium, and long-term priorities to help achieve the goals.
- ▶ Supporting **MAPPING** and information.



The focus of the Draft Parks Master Plan is outdoor parks, open spaces, and waterfront areas managed by the City of West Kelowna.

It does not include parks managed by the School District, Regional District of Central Okanagan (RDCO), Westbank First Nation (WFN), or others, though these great spaces are considered in our planning as part of a broader network.

Read more on pages 58-59 of the Draft Parks Master Plan.



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Q PARKLAND QUANTITY & QUALITY MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

5 Planning directions on where and how the parks network could grow and actions for maintaining the quality of the network as it grows.



Q1 PARKS RESOURCING

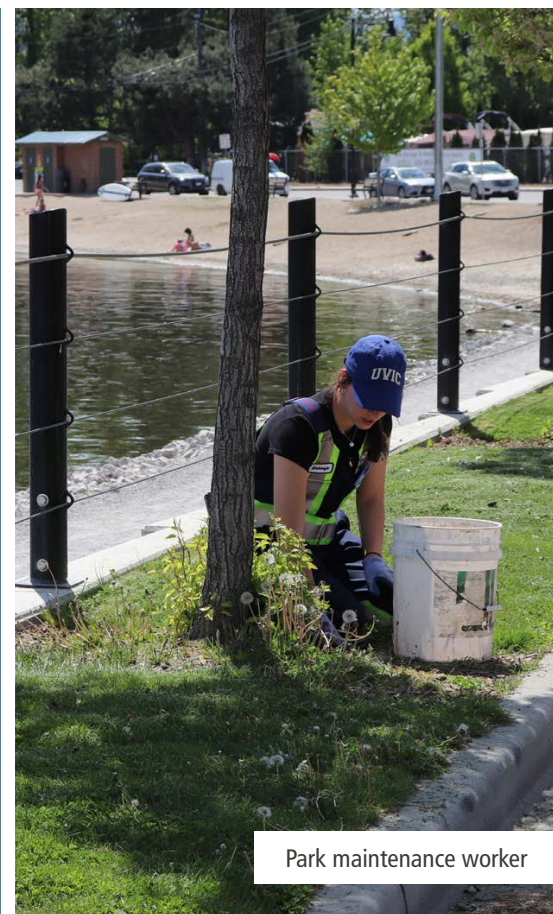


Align parks operations capacity and funding with current and future demands of the parks network.

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 \$250K-\$500K
 STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Good maintenance protects investments and supports safety and community pride
- ▶ Parks staff takes care of all municipal open space, including street landscapes
- ▶ Benchmarking shows West Kelowna's parks budget is comparatively modest to other communities
- ▶ Increase annual operations budgets
- ▶ Review and update staffing numbers and composition
- ▶ Assess each new major capital project and increase staff accordingly
- ▶ Inventory all maintenance obligations (park + non-park)
- ▶ Establish a 2-year operational costs review / update process
- ▶ Develop parks maintenance standards
- ▶ Identify and complete maintenance efficiency projects
- ▶ Develop a small-scale City greenhouse



Q2 PARKLAND TARGETS



Set targets that will continue to pace growth of the City's parkland inventory alongside community growth.

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WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Setting forward-looking targets help secure parkland while opportunity remains higher
- ▶ As a community becomes built-out, parkland per resident will begin to decrease
- ▶ Development is occurring rapidly, reducing available land for future parks
- ▶ Targets help measure progress
- ▶ Update City policies
- ▶ Continue to secure parklands during development, even to hold in the short-term
- ▶ Seek opportunities to "activate" existing parks with new amenities

PROPOSED TARGETS

	TARGET	EXISTING
TOTAL MUNICIPAL PARKLAND		
How much park per resident	6.00 ha total parkland / 1,000 residents	5.80 ha total parkland / 1,000 residents
ACTIVE MUNICIPAL PARKLAND		
How much park with amenities per resident	2.70 ha active parkland / 1,000 residents	2.23 ha active parkland / 1,000 residents
PARKLAND AREA (ALL PARKS)		
Percentage of total City land area as park	6.5-7.5% total city land base	5.4% total city land base
ACTIVE PARK IN WALKING DISTANCE		
Percentage of urban residents with active park within 400 m	90% total urban residents	81% total urban residents

Q3 MAJOR PARK ACQUISITION PLANNING

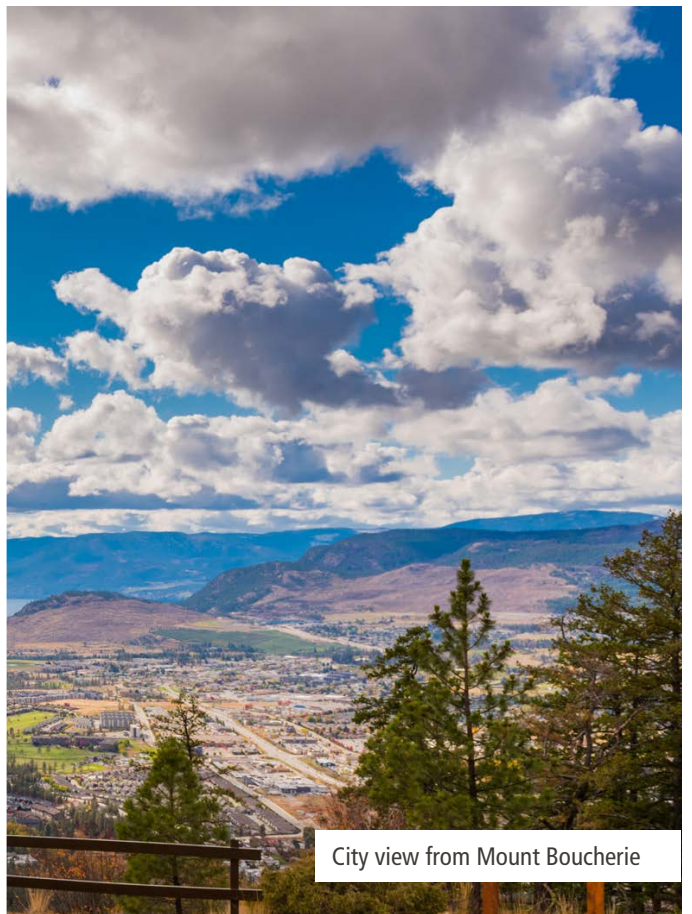


Seek opportunities to add two new major park areas to prepare for future community needs.

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 >\$1M (PER PARK)
 STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Since 2016, the City has acquired a new large park space adjacent to Mar Fee Sports Complex
- ▶ West Kelowna is expected to continue growing; growth can impact future opportunities to acquire large, contiguous land areas
- ▶ Adding larger destination parks for the future remains a community priority
- ▶ Analyze lands to identify future candidate sites that suit the criteria for major parks acquisitions
- ▶ Monitor opportunities and pursue acquisition of 2 future major parks
- ▶ When new parkland is secured, develop a Park Plan to confirm its future uses – interim and long-term



Q4 NEIGHBOURHOOD PARK DEDICATION

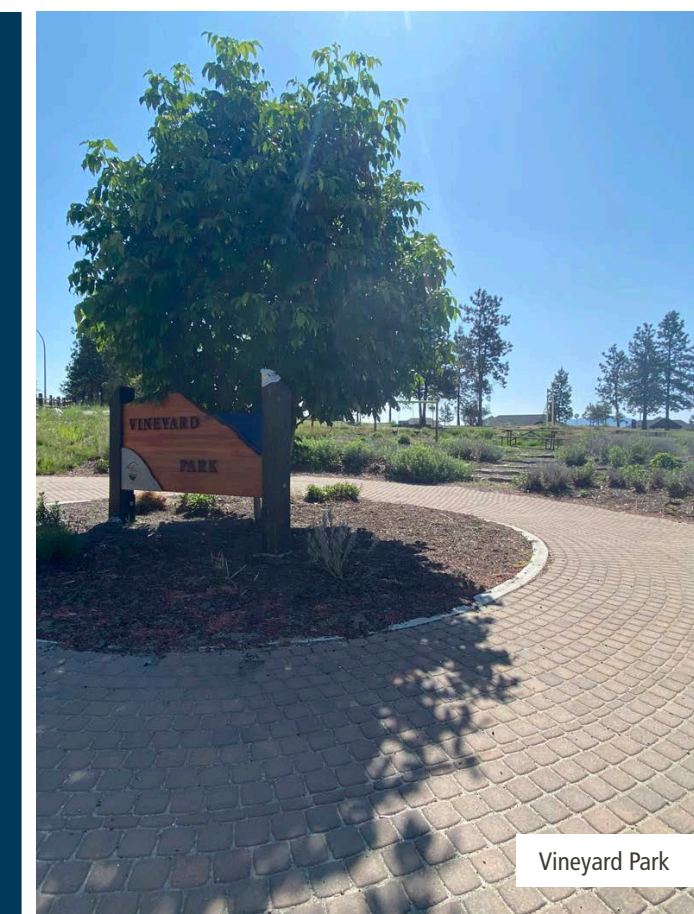


Continue to secure neighbourhood parks and amenities during development to meet existing and future needs.

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 STAFF TIME

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Parkland dedication and amenity contribution through development is expected to continue
- ▶ Strategic planning about neighbourhood needs helps secure development-related assets that have high community benefits
- ▶ Each neighbourhood has specific park interests and opportunities
- ▶ Review the Park Land Acceptance Policy and update as needed
- ▶ Continue to review all park dedication or improvement proposals against:
 - » Park Land Acceptance Policy
 - » Identified community and neighbourhood priorities
 - » Goals of the Parks Master Plan
 - » Analysis of value to the community



Q5 PARKS & RECREATIONAL TRAILS ASSET MANAGEMENT



Develop a Parks Asset Management Plan in support of the Corporate Asset Management Plan.

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 STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Current, accurate data supports informed decision making about management and renewal of park assets such as structures, playground equipment, athletic fields, courts, irrigation system, furnishings, and more
- ▶ A robust Asset Management Plan reduces risk by planning ahead for renewals and replacements
- ▶ Review and field verify the existing parks inventory
- ▶ Complete an initial Parks Asset Management Plan for select components
- ▶ Based on outcomes, review and adjust annual park budgets
- ▶ Undertake regular reviews of the Asset Management Plan (e.g., every 2-5 years) and incorporate additional assets



Read more on pages 65-79 of the Draft Parks Master Plan.

What are YOUR priorities for parkland quantity and quality management?
 Post a comment or complete a feedback form!

I DISPLAY 1 OF 2 PARK IMPROVEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

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Projects for improving or developing existing parks to continue to meet the needs and interests of residents.



11 ATHLETIC FIELDS

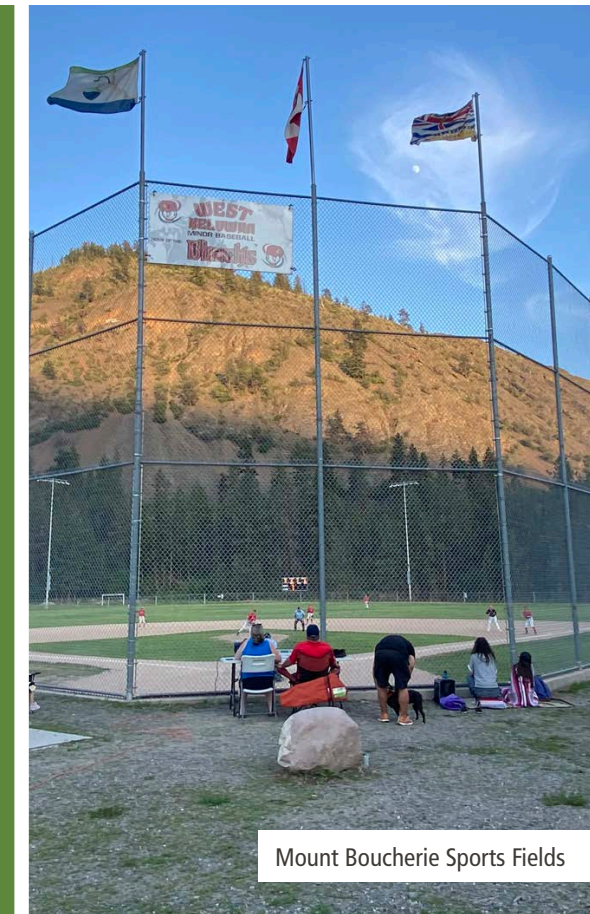
Increase/enhance the supply of high-quality athletic fields so residents of all ages can enjoy field sports.

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WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Field bookings of all types have increased since 2016
- ▶ City field provision is slightly lower than benchmarked communities
- ▶ Identified field gaps:
 - » No tournament space for softball (3 fields together)
 - » Pressure on single full-size baseball diamond
 - » Competition for bookings on rectangular fields at peak times
- ▶ Continue updating existing fields
- ▶ 10-year addition targets:
 - » Rectangular Fields +2/3
 - » Softball Diamonds +1 (3 together)
 - » Baseball Diamonds +1
 - » Lighting considerations
- ▶ Explore SD23 partnerships
- ▶ Plan/develop improvements at:
 - » Mar Fee Sports Complex (see L3)
 - » Kinsmen Park (see L4)
 - » Mount Boucherie Sports Fields (see L5)
 - » Wild Horse Park (see L6)



12 PLAYGROUNDS

Continue to upgrade and add new playgrounds to facilitate access to play for all.

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PARKS MASTER PLAN

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\$100K-\$250K (PER PLAYGROUND) STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ West Kelowna has **33** municipal playgrounds (higher than benchmarked communities)
- ▶ In 2023, the completion of Julia's Junction created West Kelowna's first inclusive, destination playground
- ▶ Urban areas typically aim for a playground in walking distance (400 - 800 m) for most residents
- ▶ Playground styles and equipment are becoming more innovative and inclusive
- ▶ Complete a play shade strategy to increase shade at existing playgrounds (trees, structures, etc.)
- ▶ Continue to replace aging equipment
- ▶ Continue to require playgrounds in new development areas
- ▶ Add **1** new neighbourhood playground every 3-4 years in underserved areas
- ▶ Integrate accessible play environments during renewals and additions



13 COURTS

Continue to provide high-quality spaces for residents to engage in a variety of court activities.

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PARKS MASTER PLAN

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WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ City remains low in the provision of basketball courts (some on school sites) and multi-use sports boxes
- ▶ Input suggests a desire for more distributed pickleball courts
- ▶ 10-year addition considerations:
 - » **2** new basketball courts in municipal parks (focus in areas underserved by school courts)
 - » **1** new boarded multi-use sports box
 - » Up to **4** new pickleball courts (in western part of the community)



14 OUTDOOR ICE SKATING VENUE

Explore addition of an outdoor ice skating venue to increase all-season recreation opportunities.

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PARKS MASTER PLAN

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\$1M+ STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Currently no options for outdoor ice skating
- ▶ More winter recreation opportunities are desired
- ▶ Community input indicates support
- ▶ Two options to consider:
 - » Weather-dependent facility (higher elevation, lower capital cost, potential to integrate with multi-use sports box)
 - » Refrigerated facility (any location, higher capital cost, increased opportunity for events)
- ▶ Undertake a feasibility study to confirm a preferred approach, location, concept design, capital cost, and operational cost for an outdoor ice skating venue
- ▶ Develop the facility



15 WATERFRONT ACCESS & AMENITIES (GENERAL)

Continue to improve existing waterfront parks and beach access points to promote waterfront recreation.

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PARKS MASTER PLAN

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WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Waterfront is important to West Kelowna's appeal
- ▶ While there have been many improvements, input indicates ongoing interest for more and improved:
 - » Aquatic play features
 - » Public docks
 - » Non-motorized boat launches
 - » Motorized boat launches
 - » Beach space opportunities
- ▶ Undeveloped waterfront accesses remain opportunities
- ▶ Review/update motorized boat restrictions and fees
- ▶ Complete key improvements to Pebble Beach and Dupuis Boat Launch
- ▶ Seek to develop **1-2** more waterfront accesses
- ▶ Consider a paddling centre (see L1)
- ▶ Refer to **Location-Specific Recommendations** (L1-L2) for details on specific park improvements



16 ROLLING ACTIVITIES

Continue to provide safe and inclusive spaces for rolling activities such as biking and skateboarding.

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PARKS MASTER PLAN

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WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Rolling activities are growing in popularity
- ▶ The new skatepark is a destination for skateboarding
- ▶ There are no bike skills parks or pump tracks in the City
- ▶ Community input suggested these facilities would be desirable to support skill building
- ▶ Some interest in a second skatepark to improve geographic access
- ▶ Develop and implement a plan for a new bike skills and/or pump track facility
- ▶ Monitor future need and opportunity for second skatepark in a location that increases access for youth



More Park Improvement Recommendations on the next display!
Read more on pages 80-118 of the Draft Parks Master Plan.



What are YOUR priorities for park improvements?
Post your feedback or complete a feedback form!

I DISPLAY 2 OF 2 PARK IMPROVEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

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Projects for improving or developing existing parks to continue to meet the needs and interests of residents.



17 PETS IN PARKS

Continue to develop a range of opportunities for both dog-owners and non-owners to enjoy parks.



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\$50K-\$100 (PER OFF-LEASH AREA) STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

- ▶ There are 5 off-leash areas in City parks (including 1 designated dog beach), plus 1 designated dog beach in Kalamoior Park
- ▶ Input indicated a desire for both more overall and more variety in opportunities to enjoy parks with pets
- ▶ Ideas for additional amenities within off-leash areas were also suggested
- ▶ A balanced approach to off-leash provision is important

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Enhance existing off-leash areas with amenities (e.g., eating, shade, drinking water, surfacing upgrades)
- ▶ Consider potential for more on-leash areas in select parks
- ▶ Increase public education on dog management
- ▶ 10-year addition targets:
 - » 1 pilot off-leash dog trail
 - » 2-3 new upland fenced off-leash areas
 - » 1 new dog beach



18 PRODUCTIVE LANDSCAPES

Consider community-led initiatives for food growing and pollinator gardens in parks and continue to provide beautification programs in high impact areas.



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WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

- ▶ There are 2 active community gardens
- ▶ Garden initiatives are most successful when managed by a dedicated external organization
- ▶ The City can provide park space and select resources (e.g., potable water) to support others
- ▶ Key beautification programs like hanging baskets and seasonal plantings have been well-received

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Where interest is identified, support external community garden organizations through provision of park space and select amenities
- ▶ Explore volunteer-supported stewardship projects (e.g., pollinator gardens)
- ▶ Continue key beautification initiatives in locations where they have the most impact



19 DISC GOLF

Work with interested organizations and individuals to establish a disc golf course in West Kelowna.



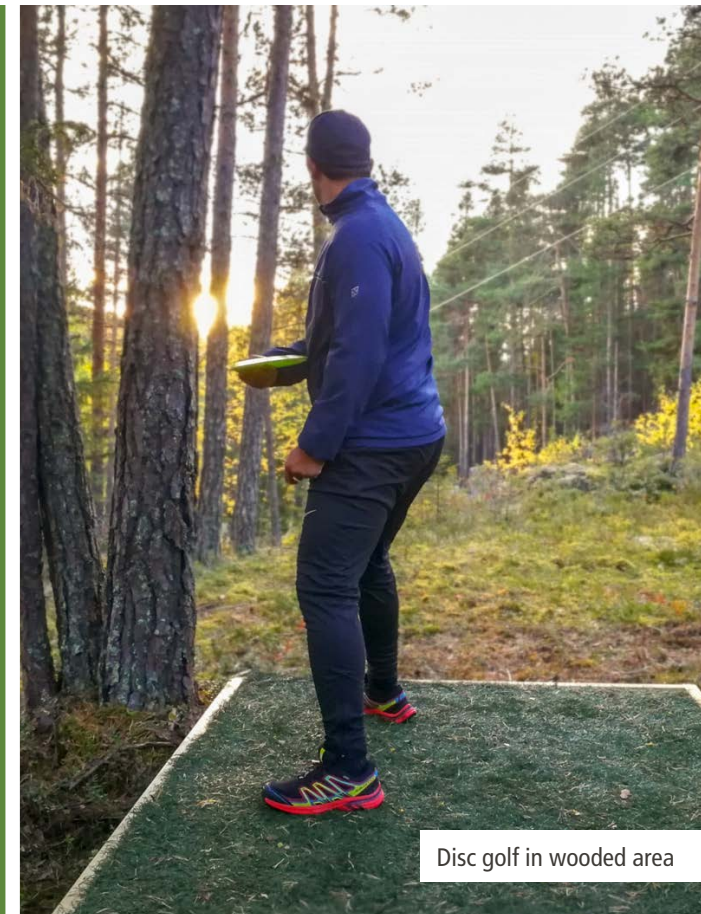
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WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

- ▶ Disc golf is increasing in popularity across BC
- ▶ Currently no courses within the City
- ▶ Low budget and accessible sport often with a strong volunteer base
- ▶ Requests for a course have been put forward by residents
- ▶ Courses can be adapted to a variety of terrain and site conditions, including hillsides

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Work with interested partners to identify a suitable course location
- ▶ If a suitable location is identified, support design and development of a course



110 COMFORT AMENITIES (WASHROOMS & SHELTERS)

Provide high quality comfort amenities that fit with park classification/character and enhance experience.



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\$100K-\$250K (PER ADDITION) STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

- ▶ Washrooms:
 - » Lower levels of community satisfaction with washroom quality and quantity
 - » Important where people spend 2+ hours
- ▶ Shelters:
 - » Value of shade as a park asset is increasing due to hotter weather
 - » Often fit well with active and destination parks
- ▶ These amenities are resource-intensive to monitor/maintain

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Include park washrooms and shelters when developing designs or planning updates for all Community and Athletic Parks, and select Waterfront Parks
- ▶ 10-year addition targets:
 - » 1 new large group picnic shelter
 - » 2 washroom upgrades/replacements
 - » 1 new washroom



111 OTHER IDEAS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Regularly assess interest and opportunity for other park amenities as the population grows and as resources permit.



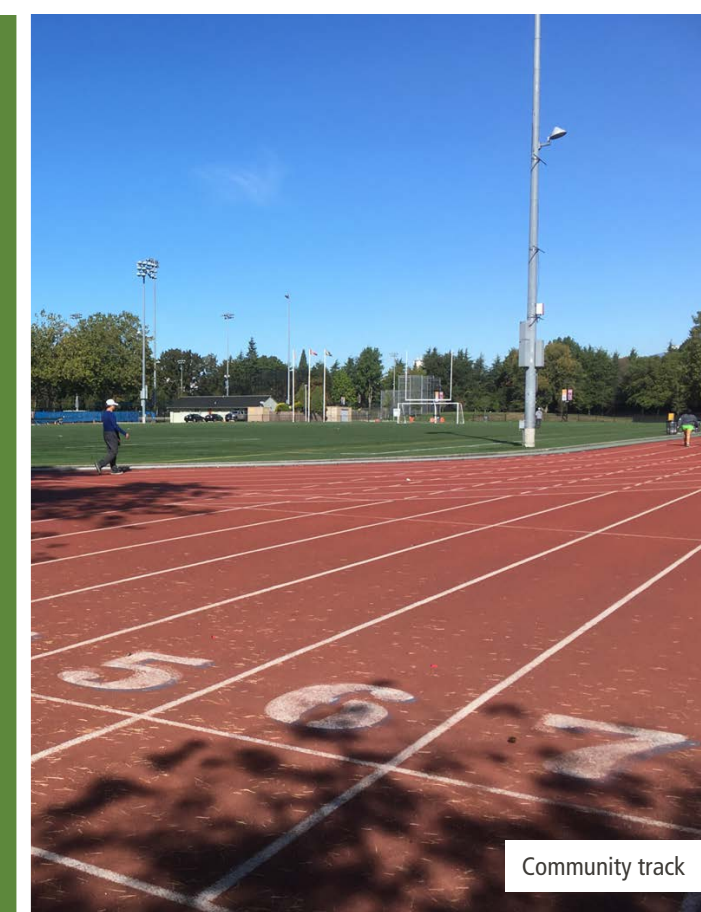
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BEYOND PLAN TIMEFRAME

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

- ▶ Amenities with some community interest, but not prioritized within current plan timeframe:
 - » Running track
 - » Outdoor pool
 - » Cricket pitch
- ▶ Community needs will continue to evolve
- ▶ Running track and cricket pitch should be considered during future sports field planning

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Reassess community priorities during future plan updates
- ▶ Assess opportunities to integrate select amenities when planning for new parks
- ▶ Monitor opportunities to accelerate long-term projects



112 KEY CONNECTIONS

Continue to secure, plan, and develop parkland to support active transportation and recreational trails projects.



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ADDRESSED IN OTHER PLANS

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

- ▶ Parks have a supporting role to trails planning, which are guided by the:
 - » Transportation Master Plan
 - » Recreational Trails Master Plan
- ▶ Community input continues to emphasize key connections like a continuous waterfront route, an upland trail, and connections from Westbank Centre to Gellatly Bay

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Refer to the Transportation Master Plan and Recreational Trails Master Plan when considering parks dedication to secure parklands that support identified routes



More Park Improvement Recommendations on the previous display!
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What are YOUR priorities for park improvements?
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DISPLAY 1 OF 2 LOCATION-SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

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Upgrades and expansions to the City's most in-demand parks and recreational areas so they continue to meet the current and future needs of residents.



L1 GELLATLY BAY RECREATION AREA



Continue to develop and manage Gellatly Bay Waterfront as the City's primary waterfront destination.

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\$1M+ STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Gellatly Bay improvements are a high community priority
 - ▶ Since the last plan, a number of enhancements have been completed
 - ▶ Ideas have been put forward by the community regarding:
 - » Additional lakeside activities
 - » Sand area improvements
 - » Opportunities for cafes and commercial spaces
 - » Integration of park spaces
- ▶ Complete Phase 2 of the CNR Wharf Park Plan
 - ▶ Develop and implement a Gellatly Bay Park Plan
 - ▶ Explore locations and develop a concept and cost estimate for a new paddling centre
 - ▶ Encourage integrated waterfront design for new developments
 - ▶ Review/consider boat launch and/or parking fees



L2 PRITCHARD PARK



Complete remaining recommendations in the Pritchard Park Plan and consider minor additional improvements.

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\$100K-\$250K STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ High community priority
 - ▶ Some 2012 Pritchard Park Plan recommendations are yet to be implemented
 - ▶ New improvement ideas:
 - » Expansion of parking
 - » Accommodation of mobile vending
- ▶ Consider completion of outstanding Pritchard Park Plan and additional park upgrades:
 - » Picnic shelter/gazebo
 - » Washroom upgrade/replacement
 - » Expanded parking and/or parking overflow
 - » Space/power supply for mobile vending



L3 MAR FEE SPORTS COMPLEX

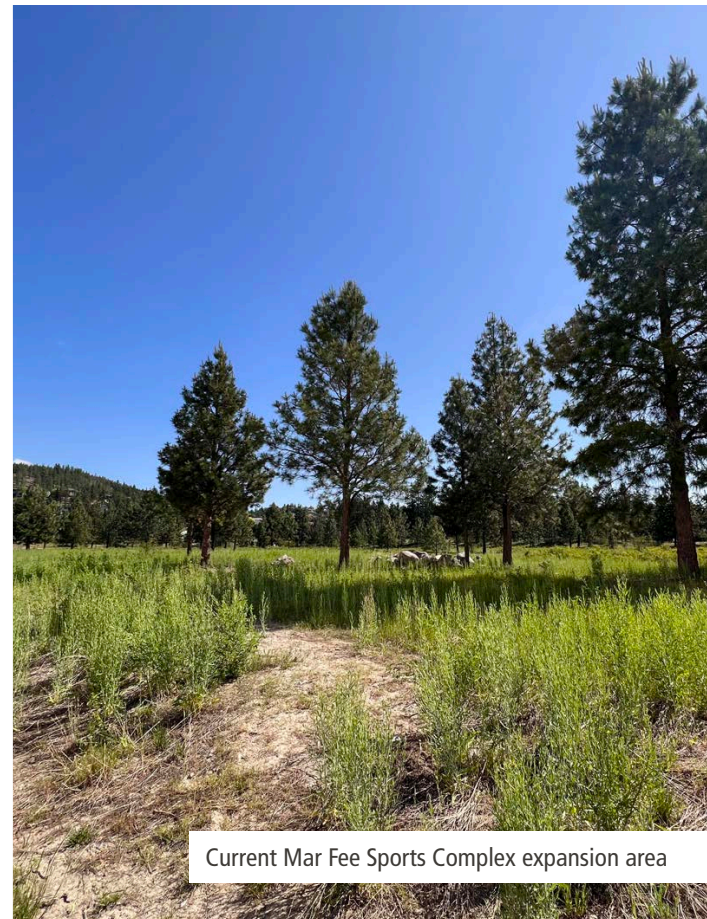


Develop and implement a Mar Fee Sports Complex Park Plan for the expanded park area.

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\$100K-\$250K (PLAN ONLY) STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ The City has acquired a large park area next to the Multi-Sport Centre for future Athletic Park
 - ▶ Significant opportunity to expand sports field inventory
 - ▶ Multiple configurations could fit such as:
 - » 3 rectangular fields
 - » 2 rectangular fields + additional uses
 - » 3 diamond fields
 - ▶ Planning is needed to confirm best arrangement/amenities
- ▶ Develop a Mar Fee Sports Complex Park Plan with considerations for:
 - » Field arrangement options
 - » Desirable site amenities
 - » Pedestrian and active transportation circulation
 - » Vehicle circulation and parking
 - ▶ Implement the concept developed



L4 KINSMEN PARK



Review and update the draft Kinsmen Park Plan following planning for the Mar Fee Sports Complex.

RESOURCING
\$\$\$
\$100K-\$250K (PLAN + MINOR UPDATES)

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ In 2016 a draft Kinsmen Park Plan was developed, but did not advance
 - ▶ Field bookings at the park have increased
 - ▶ Development of the Mar Fee Sports Complex may shift demand for certain field types
- ▶ Explore potential benefits utilizing a part of the park for fill stockpiling (interim)
 - ▶ Consider minor improvements in the shorter term such as accessibility improvements, trails, amenities, and tree planting
 - ▶ Review and update the draft park plan based on the outcomes of Mar Fee Sports Complex planning



L5 MOUNT BOUCHERIE SPORTS FIELDS/DARROCH PARK



Complete minor upgrades and planning for Mount Boucherie Sports Fields/Darroch Park.

RESOURCING
\$\$\$
\$100K-\$250K

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Key location for baseball and pickleball with recent improvements since 2016
 - ▶ Existing park does not have capacity for field additions
 - ▶ Outstanding issues include parking, lack of pedestrian infrastructure, aging amenities
 - ▶ 2023 OCP includes an action to develop a Boucherie Centre Plan which should consider park objectives
- ▶ Integrate a new playground in the Mount Boucherie Community Centre & Arenas update (replacing outdated playground at Darroch Park)
 - ▶ Review and update circulation, including parking and pedestrian connections
 - ▶ As part of the Boucherie Centre Plan process, explore potential for future park expansion opportunities



More Location-Specific Recommendations on the next display!
Read more on pages 120-134 of the Draft Parks Master Plan.

What are YOUR priorities for location-specific improvements?
Post a comment or complete a feedback form!

DISPLAY 2 OF 2 LOCATION-SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

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Upgrades and expansions to the City's most in-demand parks and recreational areas so they continue to meet the current and future needs of residents.



L6 WILD HORSE PARK



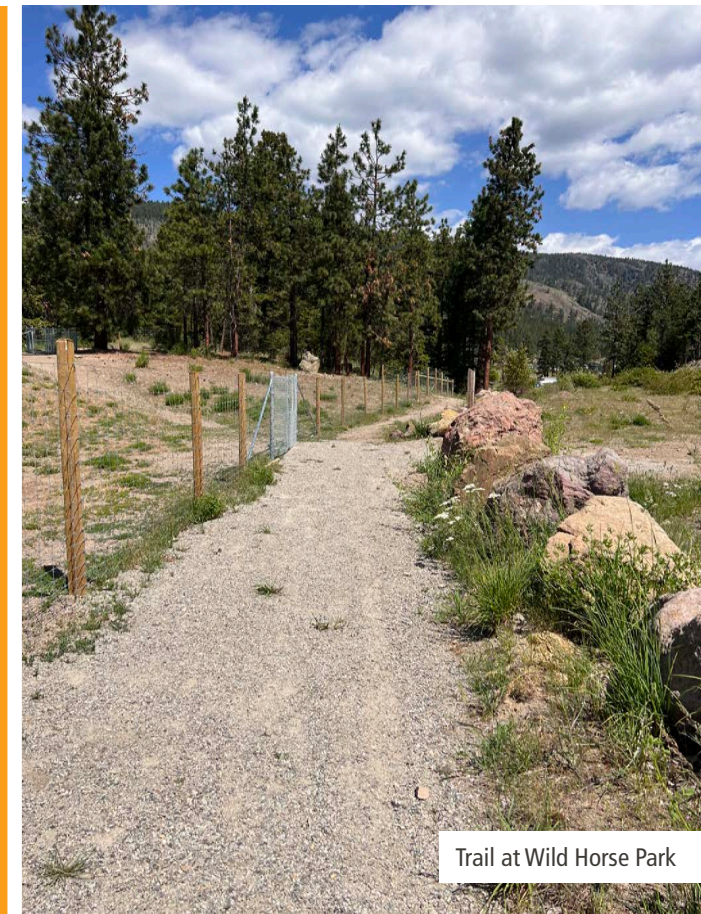
Create a long-term plan for Wild Horse Park that aligns with the future Neighbourhood Centre and school site.

RESOURCING
\$
\$50K-\$100K
(PLAN ONLY)

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Partly treed site in an area identified in the OCP for a future Neighbourhood Centre
- ▶ Adjacent to future school site, but timeline for school development is unknown
- ▶ Since 2016, trails improvements and an off-leash dog area have been completed in response to public feedback indicating a desire for interim uses

- ▶ Develop a Park Plan (aligned with school and/or Neighbourhood Centre planning) that considers:
 - » Land exchange review to support best arrangement for park and school facilities
 - » Field arrangement options
 - » Amenities desirable for the Neighbourhood Centre
 - » Pedestrian and active transportation circulation



L7 MEMORIAL PARK/ ANNETTE BEAUDREAU AMPHITHEATRE



Enhance Memorial Park and Annette Beaudreau Amphitheatre to further promote community gatherings.

RESOURCING
\$
\$50K-\$100K
(PLAN ONLY)

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Important space for events and community celebration
- ▶ Central field is no longer used as part of the athletic field inventory
- ▶ Most 2013 Memorial Park Plan recommendations are complete or have shifted with new City Hall development
- ▶ Several new ideas for Memorial Park improvements identified

- ▶ Explore possibility for an Outdoor Ice Skating Venue (see I4)
- ▶ Update the 2013 Memorial Park Plan to incorporate recent changes and new ideas



L8 MOUNT BOUCHERIE



Continue to seek opportunities to preserve and protect Mount Boucherie.

RESOURCING
STAFF TIME

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Top community priority
- ▶ Certain areas are not within park boundaries
- ▶ Current Crown Land designation does not guarantee long-term protection

- ▶ Continue to seek opportunities to acquire parkland here
- ▶ Where adjacent development occurs, require transportation or parkland dedication to facilitate park access
- ▶ Continue to coordinate for the ongoing protection of Crown Lands
- ▶ Prioritize in wildfire planning and management initiatives
- ▶ Plan trails improvements through the Recreational Trails Master Plan



L9 GLEN CANYON



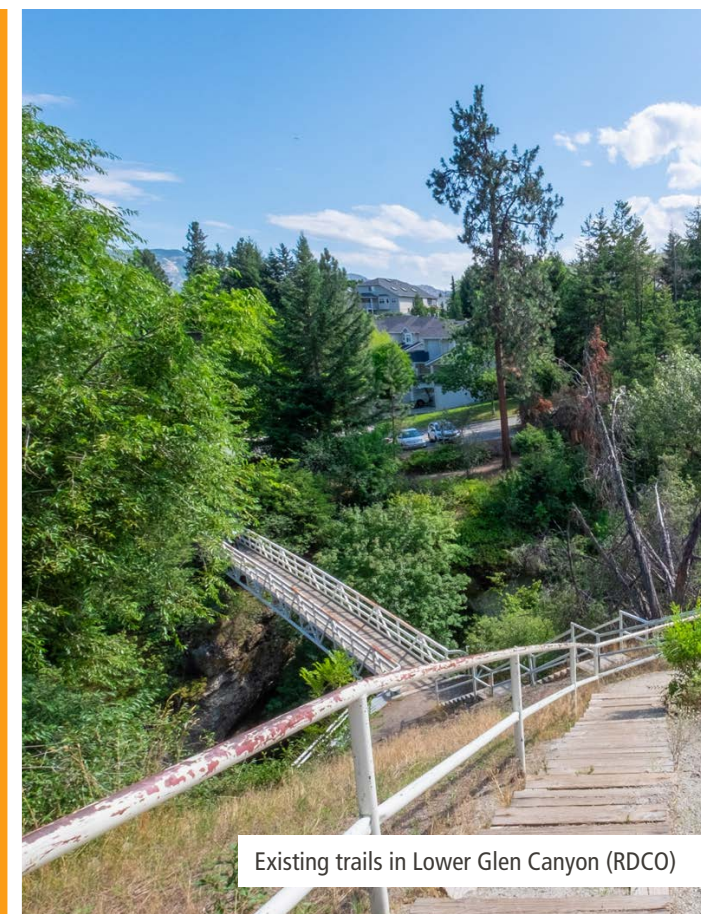
Continue to seek opportunities to enhance access, secure additional sensitive lands, and connect Glen Canyon.

RESOURCING
STAFF TIME

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Glen Canyon is primarily regional park managed by the RDCO. The City owns a portion of lower park
- ▶ Strong community interest for a full connection from Glenrosa to Gellatly Bay

- ▶ Where adjacent development occurs, require transportation or parkland dedication to facilitate park access
- ▶ Seek opportunities to acquire parkland to support future trails connections
- ▶ Plan trails improvements through the Recreational Trails Master Plan



L10 LANDFILL SITE



Work with the RDCO to determine the long-term potential of the landfill site as Community Park.

RESOURCING
\$\$\$
\$100K-\$250K
(PLAN ONLY)

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ The former landfill was closed in 2010 and has been undergoing remediation
- ▶ In many places, parks have been developed on top of remediated landfill sites
- ▶ The site could represent a future opportunity to acquire sizable land in an ideal location at a reasonable cost

- ▶ Consult with the RDCO to determine anticipated timeframe and actions for landfill remediation and its potential as future park
- ▶ Complete due diligence on environmental hazards and potential liabilities
- ▶ If deemed appropriate for future parkland, consider a process to explore potential park uses



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DISPLAY 1 OF 2 SERVICE DELIVERY RECOMMENDATIONS

10

Ideas for policy development, planning initiatives, management strategies, and information distribution to support West Kelowna's parks network.



S1 PARKS & RECREATIONAL TRAILS DESIGN GUIDELINES



Develop Parks & Recreational Trails Design Guidelines to provide clear, consistent guidance on design of these spaces.

RESOURCING
\$
\$50K-\$100K

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Design guidelines are a tool that communities use to create a more consistent and coherent parks network
- ▶ Guidelines could cover aspects such as access, sustainability, facilities, surfaces, barriers, trails, furnishings, signage, playgrounds, washrooms, irrigation, planting, and more
- ▶ Guidelines should include a "maintenance lens"

- ▶ Develop West Kelowna Parks & Recreational Trails Design Guidelines
- ▶ Provide the Design Guidelines to all parties involved in projects that will be maintained by the Parks department



S2 CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION & RESILIENCE



Incorporate climate change considerations in parks planning to support community mitigation and adaptation.

RESOURCING
STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ West Kelowna has been impacted by climate change
- ▶ Mitigation opportunities:
 - » Zero-emissions equipment
 - » Electric charging infrastructure
 - » Increased park walkability
 - » Green park facilities
 - » Improved facility performance
 - » Enhanced ecosystem services
- ▶ Adaptation needs:
 - » Increased wildfire risk
 - » Urban forest losses
 - » Increasing water demands
 - » Flooding and erosion

- ▶ Incorporate climate mitigation and adaptation considerations into:
 - » Parks & Recreational Trail Design Guidelines (see S1)
 - » Park Maintenance Standards (see Q1)
 - » Operational equipment plans (see Q1)
- ▶ Include parks in the Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan
- ▶ Develop an Urban Forest Plan
- ▶ Include a recovery allowance in the parks budget for escalation of climate change impacts like tree losses and erosion
- ▶ Pursue addition of natural areas to the parks network



S3 ENVIRONMENTAL & WATER STEWARDSHIP



Continue to prioritize practices that support environmental and water stewardship in City parks.

RESOURCING
STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ The Okanagan is one of Canada's most ecologically rich and diverse areas
- ▶ Opportunities exist in parks for:
 - » Water conservation / irrigation efficiency
 - » Habitat and natural asset protection and restoration
 - » Green infrastructure alignment

- ▶ Incorporate environmental and water stewardship into:
 - » Parks & Recreational Trail Design Guidelines (see S1)
 - » Park Maintenance Standards (see Q1)
- ▶ Minimize removal of trees and add new trees
- ▶ Complete irrigation system audits
- ▶ Consider waste stream separation
- ▶ Integrate parks and trails with green infrastructure (e.g., stormwater ponds)



S4 PARK SAFETY



Continue to support public safety in parks spaces through design, planning, and operations.

RESOURCING
STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Safe, clean, and welcoming park spaces support community wellbeing
- ▶ Active, well-used parks help limit negative social activity
- ▶ Parks are disproportionately impacted by increases in social disorder
- ▶ Safety requires a multi-faceted approach: design, programming, operations and maintenance, and communications

- ▶ Include CPTED principals and safety considerations in the Design Guidelines (see S1)
- ▶ Continue to upgrade and replace aging park amenities
- ▶ Align operations resources with escalating impacts from vandalism, encampments, and illegal activities
- ▶ Continue to install signage with wayfinding, appropriate park uses, and emergency information



S5 ACCESSIBILITY



Continue to integrate accessibility for all ages and abilities in the planning, design, and operation of parks.

RESOURCING
\$
~50K/
YEAR
STAFF
INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Access to park space is essential for a high quality of life
- ▶ Priority within 2022-2026 Strategic Plan
- ▶ Opportunities for accessibility improvements in the parks network

- ▶ Include accessibility considerations in the Design Guidelines (see S1)
- ▶ Consider accessibility audits for select parks
- ▶ Establish an annual capital budget for accessibility projects
- ▶ Increase public information about park accessibility



More Service Delivery Recommendations on the next display!
Read more on pages 135-150 of the Draft Parks Master Plan.

What are YOUR priorities for parks service delivery?
Post a comment or complete a feedback form!

S DISPLAY 2 OF 2 SERVICE DELIVERY RECOMMENDATIONS



10 Ideas for policy development, planning initiatives, management strategies, and information distribution to support West Kelowna's parks network.

S6 COMMUNITY GATHERING & EVENTS



Continue to plan and develop park spaces to support public gatherings and community events.



WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Events support community connection and resident wellbeing
- ▶ Priority within 2022-2026 Strategic Plan
- ▶ Parks has a role to play by providing spaces for gathering and events to occur
- ▶ There is a need for both larger event space and smaller gathering areas
- ▶ Work with others to identify park improvements to support gatherings and events and consider events and gathering when developing Park Plans
- ▶ Support Memorial Park as the City's primary event space
- ▶ Seek opportunities to create spaces for smaller-scale gatherings
- ▶ Consider a policy for closing parks to host events, including maintenance resourcing



Music in the Park

S7 PARKS VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS



Consider opportunities for volunteer programs that benefit both participants and the parks system.



WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Volunteer programs have many community benefits if executed properly; however, require staff resources
- ▶ Public interest in various park-related volunteering opportunities such as:
 - » Adopt-a-planting bed or volunteer gardening programs
 - » Environmental stewardship and monitoring programs
 - » Park ambassadors
 - » Short-term programs like clean-ups, tree planting, etc.
- ▶ Develop a parks volunteer plan/program that identifies opportunities and required resources
- ▶ Provide staff resources to support identified volunteer programs
- ▶ Review volunteer programs annually



Community park cleanup

S8 PRIVATE ENTERPRISE IN PARKS



Consider supporting private enterprise in parks where it brings benefit to the community.



WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Select private enterprise may warrant use of park space, for example:
 - » Recreation programs (e.g., exercise in the park)
 - » Equipment rental operators (e.g., non-motorized boat rental)
 - » Small-scale food services (e.g., mobile vendors, coffee kiosk)
- ▶ Review current policy and tenure agreements to identify/remove barriers to desirable private enterprise in parks
- ▶ Consider opportunities to support appropriate private enterprise in parks, with consideration for maintenance resourcing



Exercise program in Pritchard Park

S9 PARTNERSHIPS



Continue to establish and maintain partnership agreements with organizations that bring benefits to the community.



WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Partnerships can provide opportunities for sharing resources, broadening services, and funding parks
- ▶ Existing partnerships include:
 - » Westbank First Nation
 - » School District No.23
 - » Regional District of Central Okanagan (RDCO)
 - » Neighbourhood associations
 - » Community garden groups
 - » Sport and activity organizations
- ▶ Review and update partnership agreements at least every 5 years
- ▶ Consider new potential partnerships
- ▶ Continue to collaborate with Westbank First Nation to identify and pursue common parks-related goals



Glen Canyon Regional Park

S10 INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS

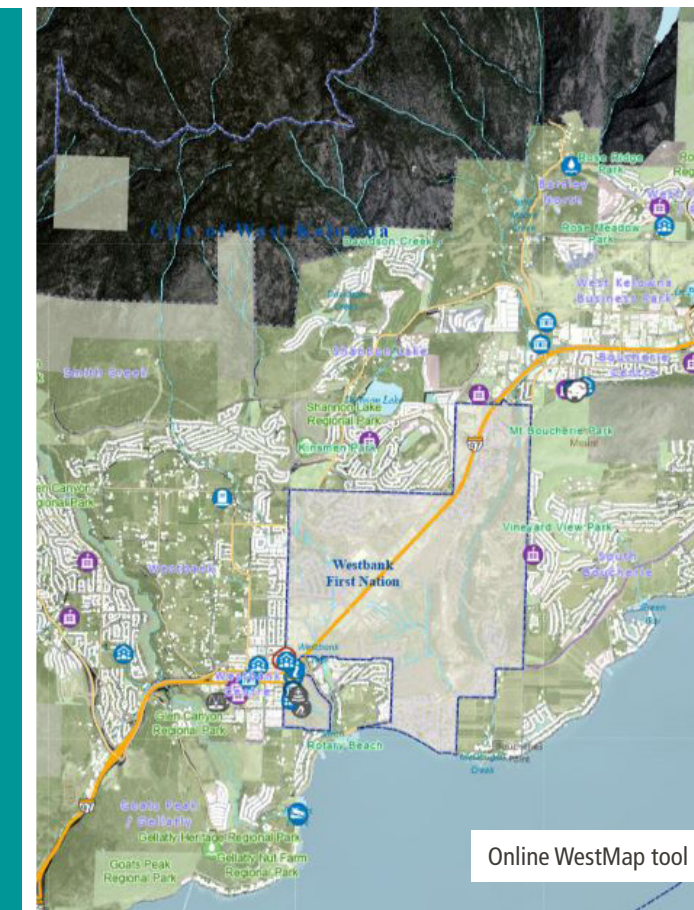


Develop easily accessible communications materials to inform residents and visitors about parks in West Kelowna.



WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Lack of information can be a barrier to park use
- ▶ Community interest in more information and mapping of parks and park assets
- ▶ Opportunities for increasing parks communications:
 - » Rec guide and City newsletter
 - » Updated inventory information on WestMap
 - » Increased social media posts
 - » Website updates
 - » Coordination with others
- ▶ Continue to provide parks and recreation information through various platforms
- ▶ Update the parks inventory and incorporate new information on WestMap and/or other online mapping resources
- ▶ Develop a parks-focused social media strategy



Online WestMap tool

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What are YOUR priorities for parks service delivery?
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OUR TRAILS



About the Recreational Trails Master Plan Update

We created our first Recreational Trails Master Plan in 2013. Since then, we've seen increasing demand for recreational trails opportunities, changes in activities, growth in our city, and improvements in our understanding about the role of recreational trails. We need an updated plan to reflect our current network and set priorities for the next 10 years!

WHAT'S A RECREATIONAL TRAILS MASTER PLAN?

It is a strategic document that provides direction for planning, developing, operating, and investing in the City's recreational trails network over a long-term (10+ year) horizon.

WHAT'S IN THE DRAFT PLAN?

- ▶ An **INTRODUCTION** to the purpose of the plan.
- ▶ A summary of West Kelowna's current **CONTEXT**.
- ▶ **ANALYSIS** of West Kelowna's recreational trails network and related trails networks.
- ▶ A **FRAMEWORK** for the future, including nine key goals (see right).
- ▶ A set of **21 DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS** with details about why they are recommended, design considerations, actions, and costs.
- ▶ An **IMPLEMENTATION SUMMARY** outlining short, medium, and long-term priorities for recreational trails.
- ▶ Supporting **MAPPING**.

RECREATIONAL TRAILS GOALS



GOAL 1: Provide a publicly-accessible, connected recreational trails system with links to all parts of the community.



GOAL 2: Establish the trails system as a destination for residents and visitors, with natural attractions and varied, year-round recreation opportunities.



GOAL 3: Provide opportunities for people of all ages, abilities, and lifestyles to experience trails in West Kelowna safely, securely, and comfortably.



GOAL 4: Improve the quality and consistency of trail management and maintenance, with sufficient resources to effectively maintain trails assets.



GOAL 5: Provide clear and accessible information about the trails to support wayfinding and code of conduct.



GOAL 6: Balance protection of natural areas and building climate resiliency with public access and connectivity.



GOAL 7: Take steps to improve responsible trails use and reduce conflicts among trail users.



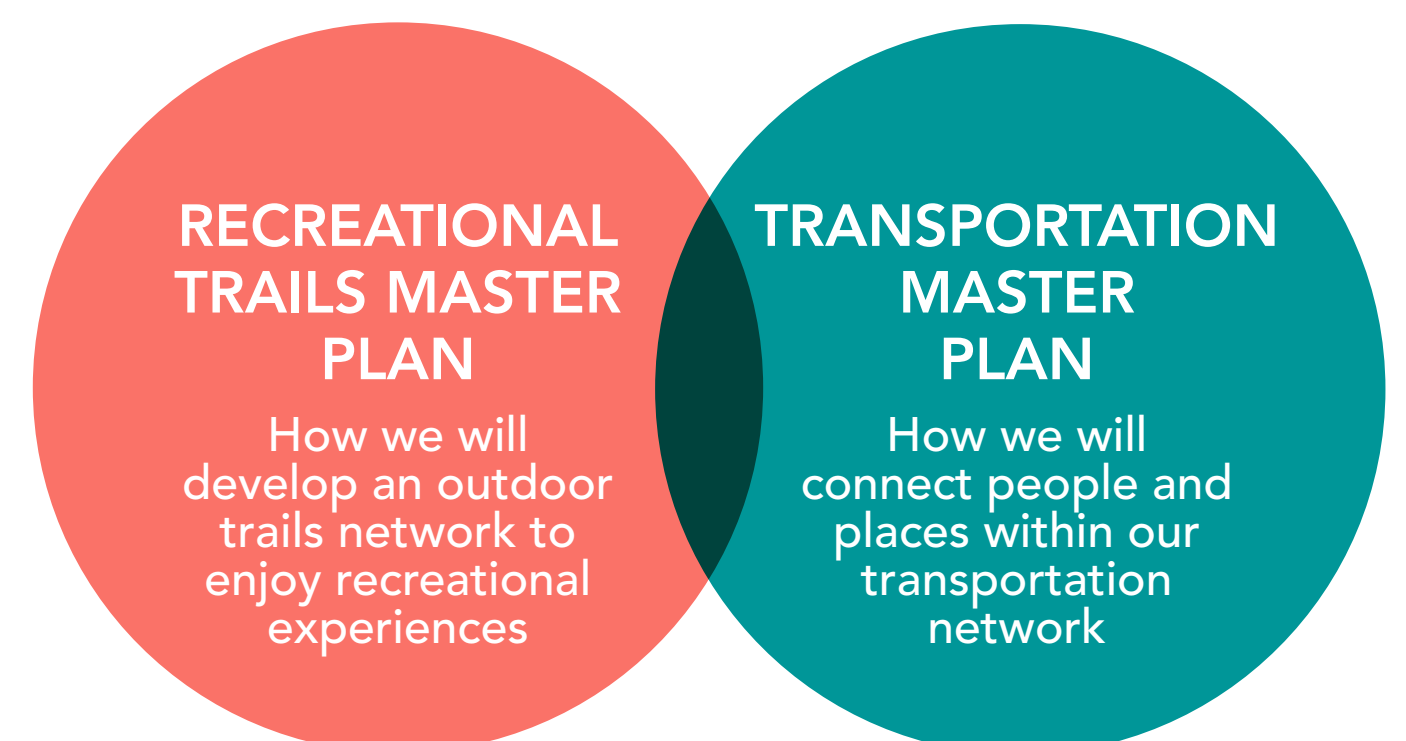
GOAL 8: Encourage and support the engagement and involvement of user groups and partners in trail stewardship.



GOAL 9: Establish positive relationships and pursue partnerships with trail users, volunteers, neighbouring municipalities, RDCO, WFN, the Province, and the development community.

DEFINING RECREATIONAL TRAILS

This plan focuses on Recreational Trails which provide fun outdoor recreation experiences and are managed by the City's Parks Department. They are distinct from Active Transportation Routes which provide safe, reliable transportation between City neighbourhoods and destinations and are managed by the City's Engineering Department in the Transportation Master Plan.



P DISPLAY 1 OF 2 TRAIL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

8 Actions for planning and development of the recreational trails network to make it safe, comfortable, and enjoyable.



P1 RECREATIONAL TRAILS SCOPE



Continue to focus and define the role of recreational trails within the City's broader trails network.



WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ In the 2013 Recreational Trails Master Plan, there was little distinction between recreational trails and active transportation routes
- ▶ The updated Transportation Master Plan prioritizes active transportation through cycling and pedestrian networks
- ▶ This allows recreational trails to focus on recreational off-street connections
- ▶ Clear roles supports efficient planning and funding

- ▶ Update City procedures to continue to clarify the active transportation and recreational trails purview
- ▶ Conduct an annual meeting of City staff responsible for implementing the Transportation Master Plan and Recreational Trails Master Plan to coordinate delivery



P2 ASSET MANAGEMENT & RESOURCING



Develop a Parks & Recreational Trails Asset Management Plan in support of the Corporate Asset Management Plan.



WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ The recreational trails network has grown from 21 km to 32 km over the past decade and new recreational trails are anticipated in Goats Peak and Smith Creek
- ▶ Network growth has been a challenge for managing and maintaining trails
- ▶ Recreational trails are a high priority for the community
- ▶ Effective management requires up-to-date data and long-term planning

- ▶ Establish a recreational trails budget line to add an operational line specific to this service
- ▶ Consider a staff position
- ▶ Undertake a comprehensive baseline inventory and initial Recreational Trails Asset Management Plan
- ▶ Based on outcomes, review and adjust annual trails budgets
- ▶ Undertake regular reviews of the Asset Management Plan (e.g., every 2-5 years)



P3 TRAILS ON PRIVATE LANDS



Encourage/support trails through privately-owned lands where there are willing landowners and community benefits.



WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Community input indicates interests in more trails to experience agricultural areas
- ▶ There are challenges such as liability, trespass, privacy, potential for damage, Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) considerations
- ▶ With efforts and a willing landowner, opportunities may exist

- ▶ Where landowners express interest/willingness to permit public access through private lands, collaborate with the landowner to address issues
- ▶ Research urban agricultural trail precedents and practices to consider if and how such trails could exist in West Kelowna and the City's potential role(s)



P4 PARKS & RECREATIONAL TRAILS DESIGN GUIDELINES



Incorporate updated recreational trail guidelines into the new Parks & Recreational Trails Design Guidelines to provide clear, consistent guidance on design.



WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Design guidelines are a tool that communities use to create a more consistent and coherent parks and trails network
- ▶ A single guideline document is recommended for both parks and recreational trails

- ▶ Incorporate updated recreational trails guidelines into new Parks & Recreational Trails Design Guidelines (see Parks Master Plan, S1)
- ▶ Provide the Design Guidelines to all parties involved in projects that will be maintained by the Parks department



More Trail Planning & Development Recommendations on the next display!
Read more on pages 35-47 of the Draft Recreational Trails Master Plan.

What are YOUR priorities for trails planning and development?
Post a comment or complete a feedback form!

P DISPLAY 2 OF 2 TRAIL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

8

Actions for planning and development of the recreational trails network to make it safe, comfortable, and enjoyable.



P5 TRAILHEADS



Continue to add new trailheads and improve existing ones throughout the network.

RESOURCING
\$-\$\$\$\$
\$50K-\$500K
(PER TRAILHEAD) STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Key asset to helping users connect into the network
- ▶ Community input priority
- ▶ Two types:
 - » **Major Trailheads/Staging Areas:** Primary points of access with parking and amenities
 - » **Minor Trailheads:** Smaller points for wayfinding throughout the network

- ▶ Develop and maintain a working list of trailhead additions or upgrades
- ▶ Target development and/or upgrade of an average of **1** trailhead per year (with associated development and operational increases)



P6 WAYFINDING & SIGNAGE



Enhance the wayfinding and signage program to increase community awareness and access to information.

RESOURCING
\$\$\$
\$100K-\$250K STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Wayfinding is a key asset to helping users navigate and enjoy the network
- ▶ Community input:
 - » Positive feedback on current signage, would like more
 - » Improve digital wayfinding information

- ▶ Develop a working list of signage upgrades (part of asset management)
- ▶ Develop an online navigation tool
- ▶ Include wayfinding in the City's Parks & Recreational Trails Guidelines (see P4)
- ▶ Develop an updated print-ready map for brochures and signage
- ▶ Complete priority signage upgrades on an annual basis
- ▶ Continue to name major trails



P7 TRAIL RATING & ACCESSIBILITY



Provide information about level of difficulty in the network and seek opportunities to increase accessibility in key locations.

RESOURCING
STAFF TIME
INTEGRATE W/ P2,P4,P6

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ The **2013 Recreational Trails Master Plan** provided a foundation for trail difficulty ratings
- ▶ The network should include a range of trail ratings and types
- ▶ Accessible design is warranted in high activity areas, recognizing a fully accessible recreational trails network is not feasible nor desirable

- ▶ During the baseline inventory (see P2), include rating information and identify potential accessibility upgrades
- ▶ Include accessibility considerations within the Design Guidelines (see P4)
- ▶ Include/add trail ratings to the digital navigation tool and print-ready maps
- ▶ Continue to engage with non-profit organizations on accessibility



P8 TRAIL SAFETY & SECURITY



Undertake improvements to enhance safety and security on recreational trails.

RESOURCING
STAFF TIME
INTEGRATE W/ P4

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Using recreational trails comes with inherent risks
- ▶ Potential safety upgrades might include:
 - » Slope and erosion mitigation
 - » Additional amenities
 - » Guidelines to reduce user conflict
 - » Information about potential risks

- ▶ Include safety guidance within the new Design Guidelines (see P4)
- ▶ Post information online and on trails to allow users to evaluate their own risk



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What are YOUR priorities for trails planning and development?
Post a comment or complete a feedback form!

M TRAIL MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

5 Directions for caring for the recreational trails network so it continues to provide long-term community benefit.



M1 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

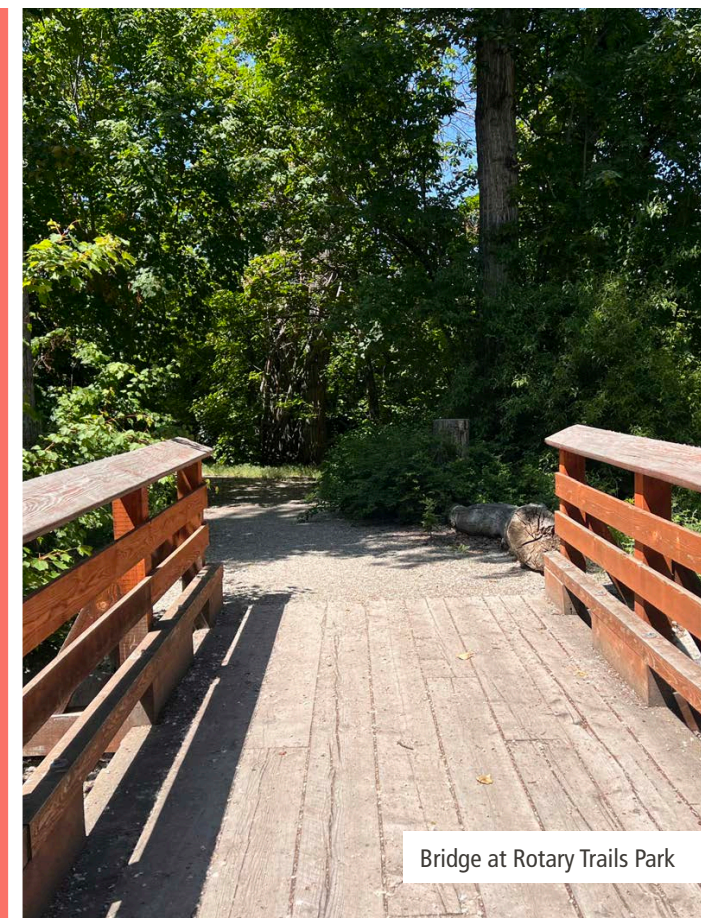


Plan and manage recreational trails in a way that respects the natural environment.

RESOURCING
STAFF TIME
INTEGRATE W/ P4, M2, M3

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Recreational trails typically occur in natural areas
- ▶ Opportunities for environmental management include:
 - » Formalizing or closing unsanctioned trails
 - » Maintenance improvements
 - » Design guidelines for sensitive areas
 - » Code of conduct
 - » Interpretive information
 - » Stewardship opportunities
- ▶ Include environmental management considerations within the new Design Guidelines (see P4)
- ▶ As part of maintenance planning, identify/upgrade trails that have existing environmental impacts (see M2)
- ▶ Communicate information about appropriate use and regulations (see M3)



M2 MAINTENANCE



Develop and implement a systematic approach to maintaining recreational trails.

RESOURCING
\$\$\$
\$100K-\$250K (PER YEAR)
STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Regular maintenance helps prevent deterioration, supports public safety, and is required for risk mitigation and insurance purposes
- ▶ Community input indicates a desire for increased maintenance
- ▶ A maintenance program assigns regular maintenance activities to each trail component based on trail type and use
- ▶ Develop a Trails Monitoring & Maintenance Program following from the Parks and Recreational Trails Asset Management Plan
- ▶ Assign funding and staffing to support ongoing monitoring and maintenance for the network



M3 TRAIL USE GUIDELINES & CODES OF CONDUCT



Formalize and communicate trail use guidelines and codes of conduct for West Kelowna's recreational trails.

RESOURCING
STAFF INCREASE
INTEGRATE W/ P6

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ All City recreational trails are shared use which means conflicts can arise
- ▶ Code of conduct information helps to clarify and guide:
 - » Permitted and restricted uses
 - » Environmental protection
 - » User interaction practices
 - » Safety considerations
 - » Best practices and trail etiquette
- ▶ While some key trails have code of conduct signage, participants which to see this more broadly communicated
- ▶ Establish and publish use guidelines and a code of conduct for the different trail types within the network
- ▶ Add information to the wayfinding network



M4 PETS ON TRAILS

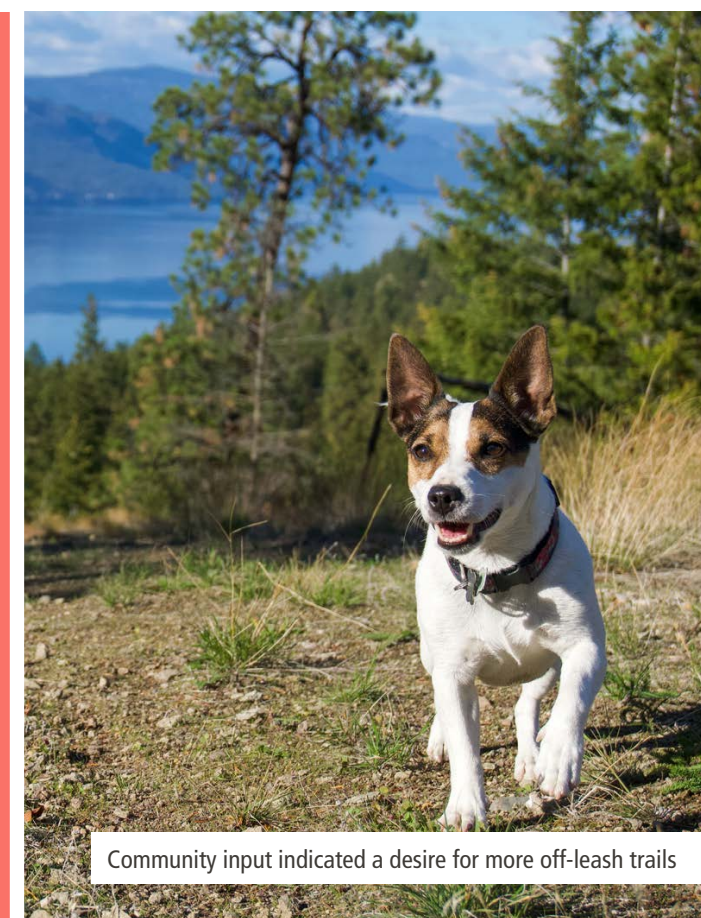


Develop a trails network that accommodates both dog owners and non-owners and protects the environment.

RESOURCING
\$
<50K
INTEGRATE W/ M3

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Current practice is for dogs to be on-leash in all areas, except designated dog off-leash areas
- ▶ Community input suggest dog exercise is a top recreational activity and there is an interest for off-leash trails
- ▶ Accommodating pets on trails must be balanced with safety and environmental management
- ▶ Seek to pilot 1 designated dog off-leash trail and monitor use and function
- ▶ Incorporate dog management in code of conduct information for off-leash trails



M5 VOLUNTEERS & ORGANIZATIONS



Consider opportunities to engage organizations and individuals in support of the recreational trails network.

RESOURCING
-
ADDRESSED IN PARKS MASTER PLAN

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED? ACTIONS TO TAKE

- ▶ Volunteer programs can have many benefits, but are only successful when there are sufficient resources to run them
- ▶ Trail stewardship can be attractive to volunteers
- ▶ Input suggests a willingness by community members to support recreational trails
- ▶ Consider recreational trails volunteer opportunities within an overall parks volunteer plan/program (per the Parks Master Plan)
- ▶ Meet with SD23 to discuss programs that use the network and identify opportunities for collaboration
- ▶ Continue to support community-led efforts (e.g., GBTAPS, WKTC)



Read more on pages 49-57 of the Draft Recreational Trails Master Plan.

What are YOUR priorities for trail management? Post a comment or complete a feedback form!



C1 GOATS PEAK TRAILS NETWORK



As development occurs in Goats Peak, secure a linked trails network that connects to adjacent Regional Parks and neighbourhoods.

RESOURCING
STAFF INCREASE
(UPON DEVELOPMENT)

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?	ACTIONS TO TAKE	PROPOSED TRAIL TYPE & RATING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goats Peak area is popular for hiking and offers scenic viewpoints to the lake The approved Comprehensive Development Plan lays out a trails network and a covenant has been secured The future network will connect into existing Regional Parks and an upgraded multi-use trail along Gellatly Road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Require recreational trails and amenities as Goats Peak neighbourhood development progresses Provide resources to maintain the trails once complete 	

C2 WATERFRONT TRAIL



Collaborate with active transportation and others to work towards a linked waterfront trail from Bennett Bridge to Peachland

RESOURCING
STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?	ACTIONS TO TAKE	PROPOSED TRAIL TYPE & RATING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trail 2000 was a long-term community vision to establish a waterfront trail from Bennett Bridge to Peachland The existing Gellatly Bay Recreational Corridor is a portion of the envisioned waterfront trail While most of this route will be an active transportation route, recreational trail components and connections may be required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to collaborate on opportunities for waterfront trail development Allocate staff time to support waterfront trail initiatives 	

C3 FLUME TRAIL



As development continues in Smith Creek, formalize the Flume Trail.

RESOURCING
STAFF INCREASE
(UPON DEVELOPMENT)

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?	ACTIONS TO TAKE	PROPOSED TRAIL TYPE & RATING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long-time community interest in a formalized off-road route along the existing informal Flume Trail The Comprehensive Development Plan for Smith Creek includes a recreational trail route along the Flume Trail The route will need to be well connected into surrounding trail networks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Require recreational trails and amenities as Smith Creek neighbourhood development progresses Provide resources to maintain the trails once complete Ensure future development plans include multiple access points to the network 	

C4 MOUNT BOUCHERIE TRAILS



Consider opportunities to support ongoing management of trails on Mount Boucherie.

RESOURCING
\$
\$50K-\$100K PER YEAR

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?	ACTIONS TO TAKE	PROPOSED TRAIL TYPE & RATING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The City owns and manages Mount Boucherie Park and has recently secured and developed additional connections to the park trails A portion of the summit and slopes are Crown land with informal, unmaintained trails High public interest in continued preservation of natural areas and trails Potential for collaborations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake re-routing and improvements on Andesite Grinder Trail (City trail) Engage with the Province and partners on ongoing management of informal trails If agreements are reached for ongoing management of the informal trails, consider a new trailhead and formalized connections to the Mount Boucherie Community Centre Continue maintenance and management 	

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C DISPLAY 2 OF 2 CAPITAL PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS

8 Larger projects addressing key connections that have a recreation focus.



C5 ROCK RIDGE PARK TRAILS



As development continues in Rose Valley, formalize trails leading from the undeveloped parkland in Rock Ridge Park.

RESOURCING
\$ <550K
STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

PROPOSED TRAIL TYPE & RATING

- ▶ Rock Ridge Park is undeveloped parkland used by the community for walking/hiking, dog walking, and nature appreciation
- ▶ Residents have requested that this area be formalized for recreational use
- ▶ Active community volunteer groups have expressed interest in participating in trail construction
- ▶ Flood mitigation work was undertaken in 2023

- ▶ Formalize trails leading from the existing undeveloped parkland in Rock Ridge Park

Nature Trail Moderate



C6 OTHER RECREATIONAL TRAIL PROJECT



Continue to add linkages within existing/future parks or other locations that help fill gaps and make connections.

RESOURCING
\$ <550K PER YEAR
STAFF INCREASE

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

PROPOSED TRAIL TYPE & RATING

- ▶ Community interest in increasing points of access into existing networks and parks
- ▶ Opportunities for new connections during subdivision or development in existing parks

- ▶ As part of inventory/asset management work, develop a prioritized list of minor trail additions (see P2)
- ▶ Develop key connections based on priority
- ▶ Ensure all new subdivision/development includes key linkages

Narrow Multi-use Nature Trail Easy to Moderate



C7 SUPPORT FOR CROWN LAND TRAIL INITIATIVES



Continue to support others interested in seeking authorizations to manage trails within Crown land areas.

RESOURCING
SUPPORT TO OTHERS & STAFF TIME

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

ACTIONS TO TAKE

PROPOSED TRAIL TYPE & RATING

- ▶ Crown Land trails in the hillsides above West Kelowna are a valued recreational amenity
- ▶ Others (non-profits) operate select authorized networks for recreational trail use including the Smith Creek and Rose Valley Recreational Trails networks
- ▶ The City plays a supporting role through contributions and support for trailheads and signage

- ▶ Consider opportunities to support others in processes to formalize key existing informal Crown land trails
- ▶ Potential areas of community interest:
 - » McDougall Rim Trails
 - » Carrot Mountain Trails
 - » Powers Creek Trails
 - » Drought Mountain Trails
- ▶ Continue to provide public information about authorized trails networks managed by others

Nature Trail Mountain Bike Moderate to Difficult



C8 SUPPORT FOR PARTNER TRAIL INITIATIVES



Continue to support partners interested in developing and managing recreational trails that benefit West Kelowna residents.

RESOURCING
SUPPORT TO OTHERS & STAFF TIME

WHY IS THIS RECOMMENDED?

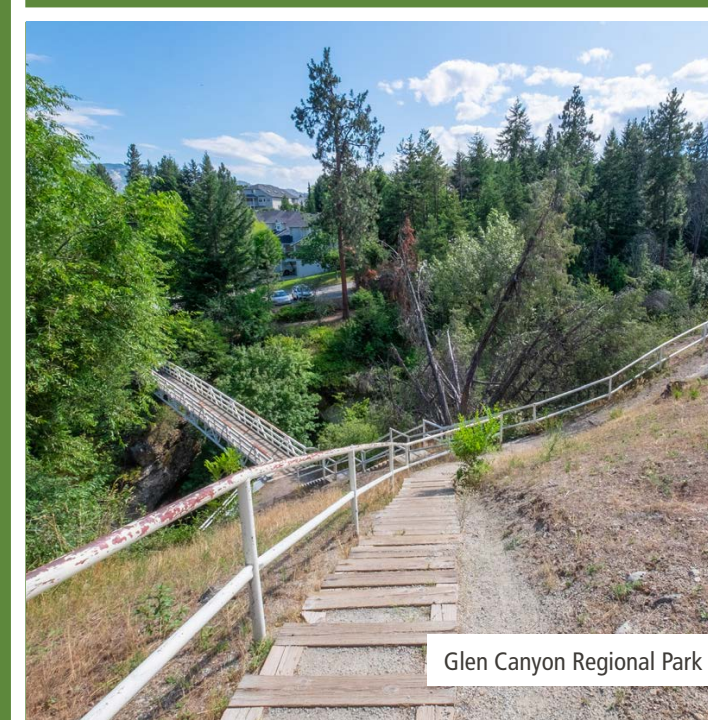
ACTIONS TO TAKE

PROPOSED TRAIL TYPE & RATING

- ▶ West Kelowna residents have access to trails that are owned and managed by partners including the RDCO, WFN, neighbouring municipalities, SD23, and others
- ▶ Community input indicates a desire for enhanced linkages into existing networks
- ▶ Coordination with others will support recreational trails connectivity in the City and region

- ▶ Support implementation of connections to trails managed by others where they intersect with the City's recreational trails network
- ▶ Participate in collaborations with partners that have trails connectivity interests

Major Multi-use Narrow Multi-use Nature Trail Mountain Bike Easy to Difficult



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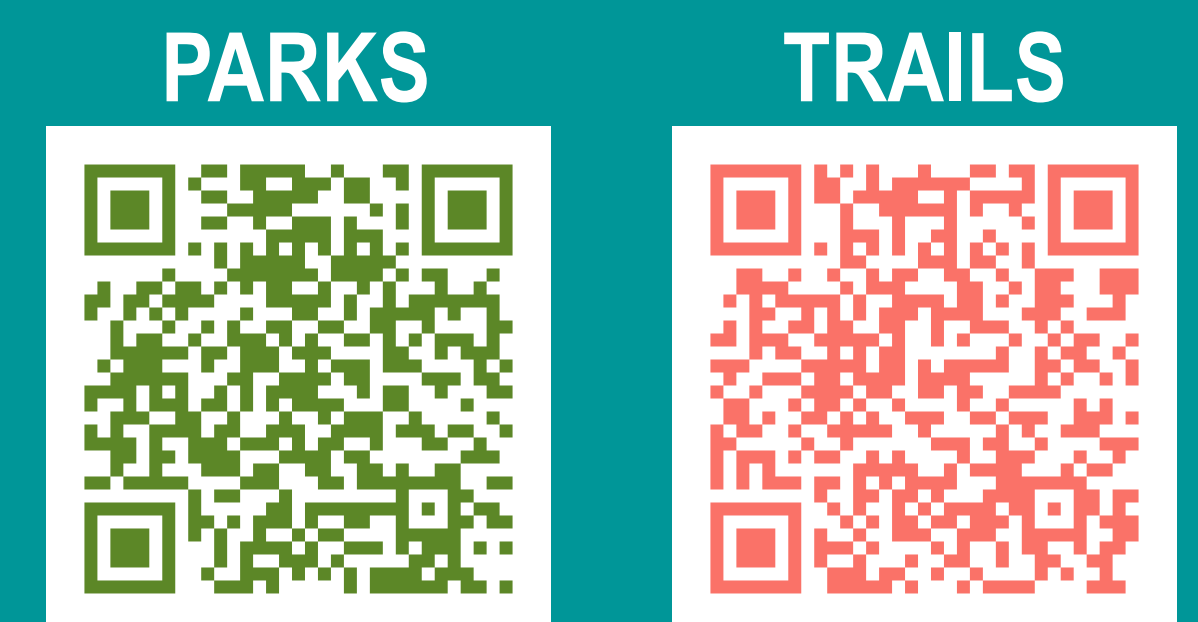
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