

Washoe County Regional Parks & Open Space

MASTER PLAN

OPEN SPACE & REGIONAL PARKS COMMISSION WORKSHOP JULY, 2019



Goals for Todays Workshop

- 1. Receive your comments about the Draft Master Plan:
 - How does it flow?
 - Does a topic need more explanation or is there too much info?
 - Comments on figures, maps, graphs, etc.
- 2. Establish the Executive Summary

After Today

- ✓ Record your comments (Today-July 9th)
- ✓ Incorporate comments into the draft (July-Early August)
- ✓ Present Final Draft at Parks Commission (August)
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Overview

- Chapter 1: Washoe County Parks Past and Present
 (Where we have been and where we are now)
- Chapter 2: Plan Development Process
 (How the public uses parks and what they want in the future)
- Chapter 3: Goals, Objectives, and Strategies
 (Guiding the Parks Department/Master Plan)
- <u>Chapter 4: Planning Area Profiles, Priorities, and Opportunities</u> (Opportunities for new parks, facilities, and open space)
- Chapter 5: Park Plan Implementation and Summary (How do we get there?)



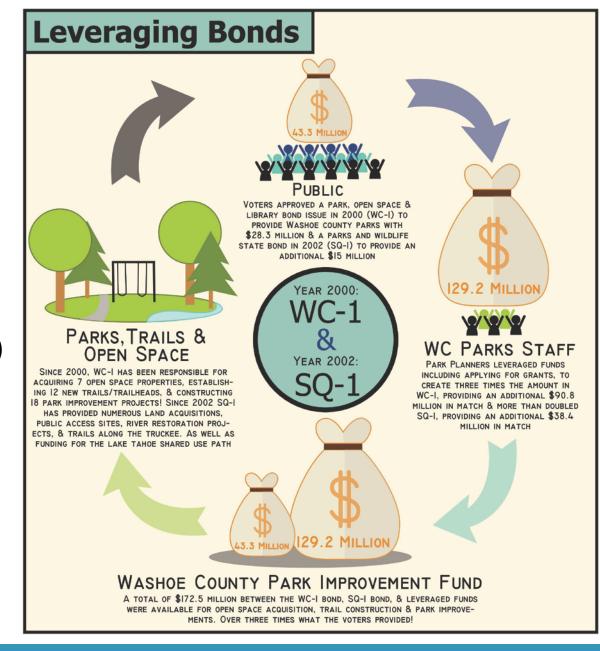




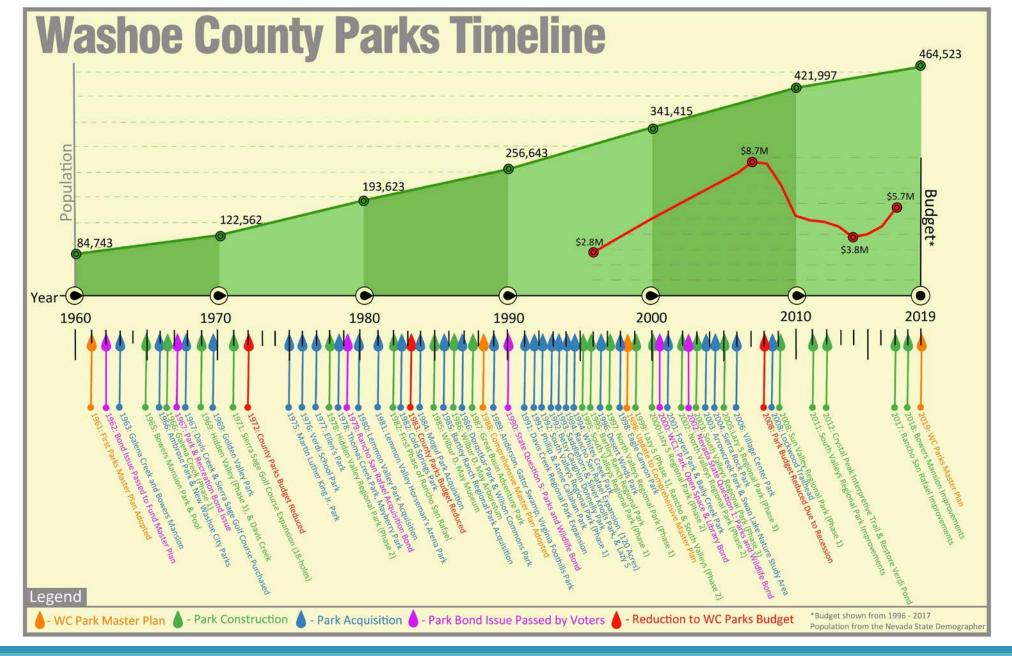




- ✓ From the beginning Washoe County Parks has always been acquiring open space and providing regional parks
- ✓ Staff has a strong history of leveraging bonds
- ✓ Parks hasn't recovered from the recession (over 10 years)
- ✓ A back log of maintenance projects
- ✓ Population continues to increase



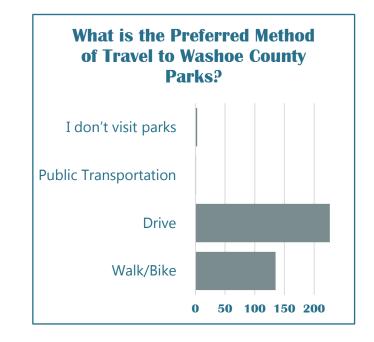


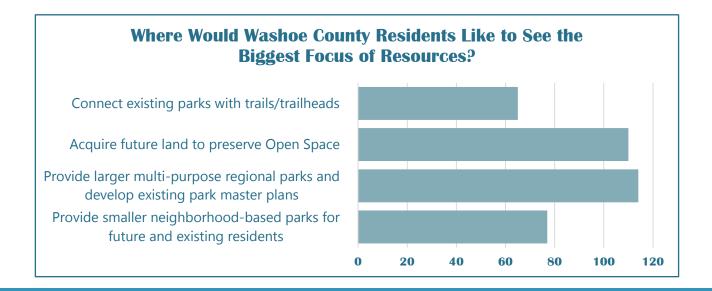






- ✓ Washoe County covers a lot of land and not all of the areas have the same needs
 (Planning Areas)
- ✓ There is an importance in looking at new developments (in the City or County) to help identify future opportunities
 - ✓ Residents generally drive to parks
- ✓ Residents want to see a focus on regional parks and open space
- ✓ Residents want their parks to be developed (Park Specific Master Plans)



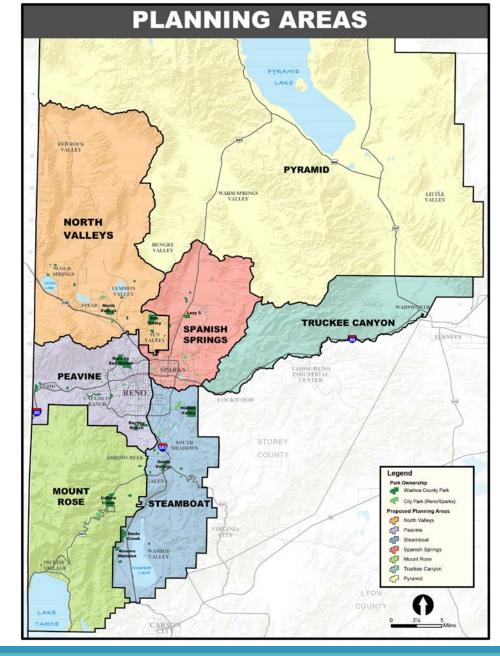




- ✓ Goals = Each goal should be applied to each planning area or to the department as a whole
- ✓ Objectives = Is a general task that Parks can follow to accomplish the goal (all objectives should be followed to accomplish the goal)
- ✓ Strategy = A specific task that can be used to achieve the goals and objectives (not all strategies need to be used to accomplish an objective)

- ✓ Seven planning areas total (4 urban, 3 rural)
- ✓ Each has a profile developed from an analysis of each planning area

- ✓ Each has a number of priorities and opportunities specific to that area
- ✓ Priorities and opportunities relate to the goals in Chapter 3





✓ There are short-term, mid-term, and long-term implementation strategies that Parks can perform to provide the community with the priorities and opportunities identified in each planning area

✓ Short-term:

- Complete a service plan study
- Further develop the Capital and Infrastructure Preservation Program
- Target key benchmarks or values for success

✓ Mid-Term:

- Develop facilities and programs that generate revenue
- Educate policy makers to recognize the benefit of funding recreation
- Utilize existing legislation
- Reconfigure the RCT Districts



- ✓ Long-Term:
 - Continue the vision and mission for future parks, trails, and open space
 - Re-balance and distribute capital expenditures
 - Promote economic vitality

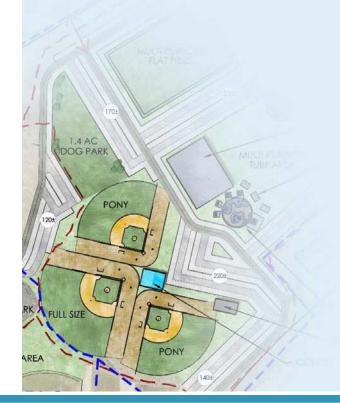
Any other implementation strategies?

Executive Summary

- What are your biggest takeaways from the Draft Master Plan?
- What is the most important message of this document?
- How can this best be communicated?

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Thank You!

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