



Park Planning and Development

Open Space and Regional Park Commission Meeting
NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2018

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

Arrowcreek Fuels Grant

- On October 10, 2017, BCC approved grant for \$39,000 to do additional fuel reduction work on Arrowcreek Open Space.
- Collaborative partnership with Arrowcreek Homeowners Association and Friends of Arrowcreek, which owns the two golf courses.
- High Sierra Forestry contracted to oversee project.
- A grant extension was approved by Nevada Division of Forestry through October 1, 2019.
- Fuels reduction work on Arrowcreek Open Space is expected to begin Spring 2019.

Ballardini Ranch Trail connection to Thomas Creek

- Funding provided by WC-1.
- Construction of a connector trail between Ballardini Ranch Trailhead and Old FS Road has been completed.
- Working with USFS on environmental compliance requirements for portion of trail from Old FS Road to Thomas Creek trailhead. Working on cost recovery agreement to fund USFS personnel time to oversee cultural clearance and botanical surveys.
- The Arrowcreek HOA is also working on designing a new trail system that would connect from Arrowcreek to various points on the existing and future portions of the Ballardini Ranch Trail system. An agreement will be put in place for trails constructed on Washoe County Open Space areas.

Bowers Mansion Rehabilitation

- Funding provided by WC-1 and endowment
- Melvyn Green & Associates, Inc. hired to prepare Maintenance and Rehabilitation Recommendations.
- Plan completed October 2018.
- Awaiting bid documents from Melvyn Green & Associates
- Anticipate bidding project in Spring or Fall 2019.

Eastern Sierra Trail Coalition

- Assistance grant received from National Park Service Rivers and Trails Conservation Assistance Program to form a Trails Coalition
- Vision is a Regional network of sustainable trails that provide connectivity between communities, points of interest, and outdoor recreation opportunities within the Eastern Sierra and Tahoe Region.
- Recently hosted a Trails Summit bringing together local trail professionals and enthusiasts to discuss current projects and trail issues.

FEMA Flood Projects

- 3 Construction bid packets were prepared for: 1. Swan Lake rehabilitation 2. Trail reconstruction and 3. Park infrastructure and road rehabilitation
- Park construction projects are completed
- Trails projects under construction
- Swan Lake project is 98% complete. Waiting on installation of final two floating dock plates with expected completion in January 2019.

Galena-Joy Lake-Callahan Fuels Project

- NDF grant for continuation of fuels reduction project from Galena Regional Park to Callahan Ranch Road along Galena Creek. Grant awarded to NDF. Washoe County providing linkage between staff, community and TMFPD.
- NDF crews started work in Summer 2018.

Galena Terrace Park

- Construction of a neighborhood pocket park in the Galena Terrace Rolling Hills neighborhood
- Bid awarded at August 2018 BCC to Facilities Management Inc. Park construction has started and is ongoing.

Golden Valley ADA Path Improvements

- RCT funds will be used to address ADA access issues between parking areas, ball fields, and the playground.
- Project includes surface hardening of main access paths and addressing some existing drainage issues.
- Project is in initial design phase.

Hunter Creek Bridge

- Lumos and Associates submitted final bridge design to Forest Service for approval (still waiting on final signatures).
- Sierra Trail Works is contracted to install bridge and connector trail.
- Western Wood Structures is contracted to build bridge.
- Nevada Environmental Consulting is contracted to do in-stream work including bank armoring. Currently waiting on issuance of U.S. Army Corps of Engineer permits for in-stream work.
- Received cultural and NEPA clearance from the USFS in December 2018.
- Anticipated completion in Spring 2019.

Lower Thomas Creek Trail Reroute

- In the summer of 2018, a private landowner removed and fenced off a portion of the Lower Thomas Creek Trail that crossed his property without an existing easement.
- WC-1 funds will be used to design and construct a trail reroute in the Washoe County open space area on the opposite side of the creek, including a bridge installation to connect to existing trail. Project is in the initial design phase.

Master Plan- County Wide

- Wood Rodgers working on plan
- Public outreach and meetings completed.
- Anticipated that plan will be presented for Park Commission and BCC approvals in January 2019.

North Valleys Trail Project

- Funding received from Recreational Trails Program to construct new trail and trailhead adjacent to North Valleys Phase V Expansion.
- Trail Construction was completed in December 2017. Sierra Trail works installed 2 bridges in Spring 2018.
- The connector trail and stairs from the ballfields to the trailhead were completed.
- Currently working on design of trail map. Installation of signage, benches and kiosk anticipated in Spring 2019.

Rancho San Rafael Upper Playground

- Construction of a new All-Inclusive playground in location of existing playground
- Project is in design phase.

Rancho San Rafael Wetland Flood Damage Restoration Plan

- Nevada Environmental Consulting was contracted to develop a Flood Damage Restoration Plan for the wetland cells in Rancho San Rafael Park that were damaged during the last major flood event. The plan includes berm repairs, weir construction and upgrades, new trail and trail reroutes, sediment removal, and revegetation.
- A complete draft report including spatial data and plans is expected to be submitted in January/February 2019.

Stateline to Stateline Bikeway – Tahoe East Shore Trail

- The name of the project has been adopted as the Tahoe East Shore Trail per the Signage Master Plan completed by Wood Rodgers.
- Granite construction was awarded Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) by Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) for construction of 3 miles of trail and parking facilities.
- 2 parking lots, pathway corridor, including 1 mile of pavement and tunnel under SR-28 completed.
- Washoe County is leading the Signage and Interpretive Plan
- Phase 2 of project approved by NDOT Transportation Board to move forward with completion of the North Demonstration project from Incline Village to Sand Harbor
- Value Pricing Program for installation of Parking Meters is in final evaluation.
- Remaining construction work includes installation of 8 bridges. Project is expected to be completed in 2019.

Truckee River – One River Plan

- The One Truckee River Management Plan was completed in September 2016. The plan establishes goals for managing, protecting and providing stewardship for the Truckee River across all jurisdictional boundaries. Nevada Land Trust and Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful are the lead agencies working with the assistance and cooperation of a large Truckee River stakeholder group to fundraise and implement the plan.
- Initial funding for plan development was provided through the Washoe County State Question 1 Program. A funding agreement for implementation of additional work was approved by the BCC on March 27, 2018.
- The second funding agreement includes the development of a wayfinding plan and installation of signs and kiosks. Alta Planning + Design was contracted to develop the wayfinding plan which has an estimated completion date of January 2019.