

### REGION 1 DESIGNATION

THE ROAD AND TRAIL MANAGEMENT PLAN





#### PURPOSE OF MEETING

 To review RTMP progress, proposed designation, and upcoming project proposal process

2.

 To breakout into groups, review detailed road and trail designations for Region 1, and solicit public input



#### RTMP REGION 1 DESIGNATION

# Part I: The Road and Trail Management Plan



#### LONG TERM GOALS OF RTMP

 Designate a sustainable road and trail system that requires less maintenance

- Achieve measurable reductions in physical and environmental impacts associated with the road and trail system
- Enhance visitor experience and safety for hikers, equestrians, and bicycles.



#### COMPONENTS OF RTMP

- 2011 Existing Conditions Report
- Policies

- Process for sourcing new projects
- Standards, guidelines, and best management practices (BMPs)



#### RTMP IMPLEMENTATION

- System designation
- Project sourcing, selection, & approval

Baseline monitoring



#### PUBLIC OUTREACH

#### **Public Information and Scoping**

November 29, 2010, 6:30pm - 8:00pm, Margaret Todd Senior Center, Novato

November 30, 2010, 6:30pm - 8:00pm, Lagunitas School, San Geronimo

December 1, 2010, 6:30pm - 8:00pm, Mill Valley Community Center, Mill Valley

December 2, 2010, 6:30pm - 8:00pm, Marin County Civic Center, San Rafael

#### **Notice of Preparation**

February 15, 2011, 3:00pm - 7:30pm, Marin Center, San Rafael

History of Open Space and the MCOSD, Existing Plans and Guidance Documents

March 26, 2011, 9:00am - 3:00pm, Marin Health and Wellness Campus, San Rafael

Trends in Resource Protection, Carrying Capacity, Desired Resource Conditions, Range of Possible Visitor Uses

June 18, 2011, 8:30am - 12:30pm, Marin Health and Wellness Campus, San Rafael

Road and Trail Network and Inventory, Areas of Environmental Sensitivity, User Conflicts

October 29, 2011, 8:30am - 12:30pm, Marin Health and Wellness Campus, San Rafael



#### PUBLIC OUTREACH

#### Road and Trail Assessment and Visitor Use Survey

March 31, 2012, 8:30am - 12:00pm, Marin Health and Wellness Campus, San Rafael

Visitor Use Management Zones, Visitor Use Policies, and California Environmental

Quality Act Requirements

October 29, 2012, 6:00pm - 8:00pm, Marin Health and Wellness Campus, San Rafael

Parks and Open Space Commission: RTMP Revisions to Plan and Policy

January 23, 2014, 2:30pm-5:30pm, Marin Civic Center Planning Chambers, San Rafael

Implementing the RTMP: The Road and Trail Project Evaluation Tool

March 15, 2014, 9:30am-12:30pm, Marin Health and Wellness Campus, San Rafael

Parks and Open Space Commission: The Road and Trail Management Plan Designation Exercise

September 18, 2014, 2:30pm-5:30pm, Marin Civic Center Planning Chambers, San Rafael

Parks and Open Space Commission: The Road and Trail Management Plan Recommendation

November 20, 2014, 2:00pm-5:30pm, Marin Civic Center Planning Chambers, San Rafael



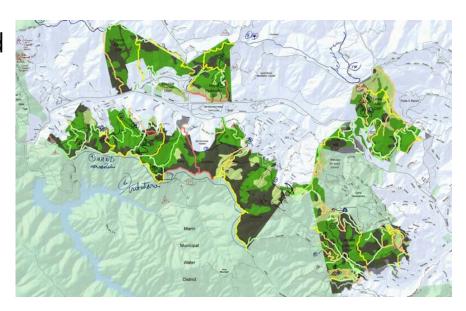
# Part II: Introduction to System Designation



#### SYSTEM DESIGNATION COMPONENTS

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 Staff proposal based on policy input contained in final RTMP, the ECR, and public input received during previous RTMP workshops



- Based on <u>EXISTING</u> Baseline Network (as of Fall 2011)
- If it's not designated, it should eventually be decommissioned)
- Only designated roads and trails will be shown on our public maps



#### WHAT SYSTEM DESIGNATION IS NOT

- Decision of where to locate new trails
- Change-in-use
- 11. Decision about how to improve or amend existing facilities



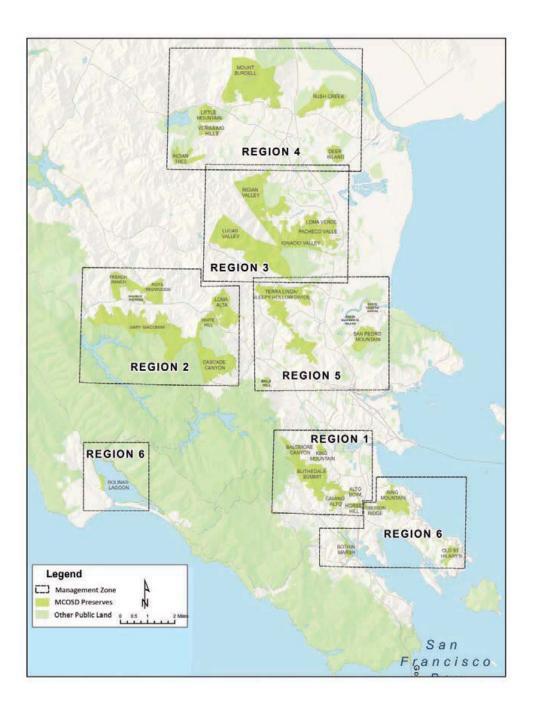
#### SYSTEM DESIGNATION OVERVIEW

- Is it in the Existing Conditions Report?
  - Yes/No
- For those facilities in the ECR: Are they in, or out?



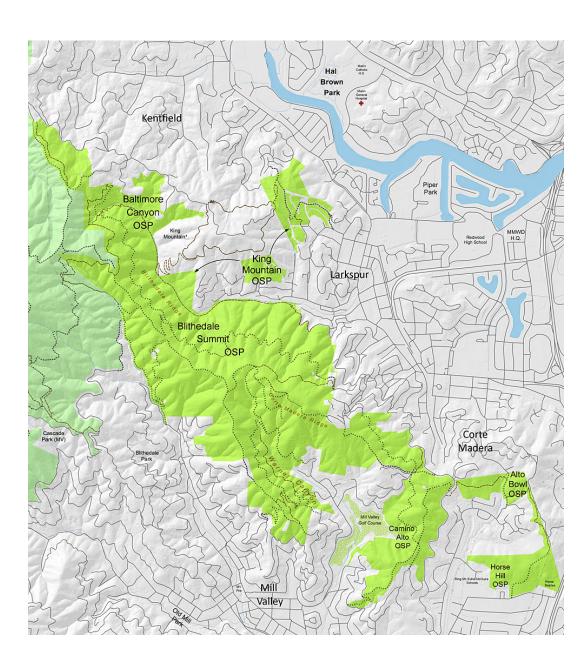
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## Part III: Project Proposals and Selection



Baseline for Region One is: 3918

In any given year, net projected impact of projects in that region must reduce the region's overall baseline score.



- Road and trail projects are composed of actions:
  - Planned Maintenance
  - Reconstruction
  - Reroute

- Decommission of non-system (i.e. undesignated) trails
- New Trail Construction
- Road-to-Trail Conversion
- Change-in-use (in conjunction with other actions)



#### 01 April through **August** Solicitation and receipt of project proposals 02 **Through October** Screening of project proposals for consistency with adopted policies 03 **Through October** Screening of project proposals Proposal using evaluation tool 04 November through March Priority projects compete in annual 05 March 06

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PRESERVATION · RECREATION

- Basic structure of a public proposal
  - Project Overview
  - List of Actions
  - Action-by-action implementation details



- Minimum requirements for proposals
  - Complete with enough supporting information to allow staff to fully evaluate and score it
  - Consistent with the policies, standards, guidelines and BMP's contained in the RTMP
  - When scored by staff, shows net projected reductions to existing baselines



- Ingredients of a good (i.e. successful) proposal
  - Thoughtful and honest about anticipated prosand cons

- The greater the net environmental benefit (i.e. projected baseline reduction) the higher the ranking
- Result of <u>broad</u> engagement with greater community
- Will identify resources to implement (importance of leveraging Measure A and District funds)



- When and how public proposals will be accepted
  - Anytime following designation
  - Following initial outreach, will formally solicit proposals annually in April
  - Editable PDF form will soon be posted to our website
  - Alternative arrangements available for persons with disabilities





- How will I know what happened to my proposal?
  - Proposals inconsistent with the RTMP will not be scored
- 23.
- Scored proposals will be added to the running list of proposed projects
- List will be periodically updated and made available online



- For high-priority projects identified as prospects for near-term budgeting and implementation
  - Direct engagement with staff and other constituencies

- Field visits
- Proposal just a starting place final designs subject to change through process



#### PROJECT PROPOSALS

#### Marin County Parks RTMP Trails Proposal

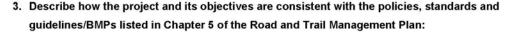
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Proposal No.	Region		
Project Score:			

1.	Project name:	
2.	Applicant name:	
3.	Organization Name: (if applicable)	
4.	applicable) Mailing Address:	
5.	City, State, Zip:	
6.	Telephone #:	
7.	Email address:	
8.	Organization type:	Nonprofit Organization

#### Section 1: Project Objectives

- 1. Short summary of project (200 words or less). What does the proposal attempt to accomplish?
- 2. The goals of the RTMP are as follows:
  - Establish and maintain a sustainable system of roads and trails that meet design and management standards.
  - Reduce the environmental impact of roads and trails on sensitive resources, habitats, riparian areas, and special-status plant and animal species.
  - Improve the visitor experience and visitor safety for all users, including hikers, mountain bikers, and equestrians.

Describe how the project will meet each goal.







#### **PROJECT PROPOSALS**

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4. Project Actions (by segment):

	Segment Name (i.e., "Woodoak Trail)	Proposed Action (i.e., "close" or "reroute")
a)_		
b)		
c)_		
d) <u>.</u>		
e)_		

(Note: Sections 2 to 4 should be filled out for each proposed action listed above. Please make sure to copy and repeat sections 2 to 5 for each action and append these sections to this document.)

#### Section 2: Action Summary and Metrics

1.	Action Title:	
2.	Action type <u>*</u> :	New Trail
3.	Action summary (less than 200 words; include details on any proposed change-in- use):	
4.	Trails affected:	
5.	Time frame for action (relative to other proposed actions):	
6.	Affected Preserve(s) or Park for action:	

#### PROJECT PROPOSALS

7. Will action involve volunteers?	Yes No No
<ol><li>Does action connect to trail on adjacent public lands?</li></ol>	Yes No
Benefits of proposed action (check all that apply):	Increase recreational access (new trail, change-in-use)   More enjoyable trail (existing trail conditions, problem areas)   Unsustainable trail reduction (rerouting, trail closures)   Redundant trail reduction (rerouting, trail closures)   Sediment reduction (rerouting, trail closures)   Wildlife/botanical benefit   Removes hazards   Other

#### Section 3: Action Location Information

Latitude, Longitude (in decimal degrees, geographic, NAD83):			
2. Location description:			
3. Location map (please attach, on USGS topographic base map, or send .kml file to msaques@marincounty.org with Project name in subject line):			
4. Road IDs of relevant segments (if known):			
5. Connecting trails:			
6. Land ownership:	% Private:	% County:	% Other
7. Length of proposed trail to be built, rerouted, reconstructed, converted or decommissioned	feet =		
8. Desired trail width (average) or width of trail to be removed:			



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#### Section 4: Environmental Impacts and Implementation Details

Marin County Parks recognizes that applicants may not have access to the information requested in this section. Enter "Don't know" where applicable.

1. Potential impacts or site benefits:

<sup>\*</sup>For definition of terms, see Road and Trail Management Plan

- a) Number of streams to be crossed or stream crossings decommissioned:
- b) Vegetation types impacted or restored:
- c) Anticipated wildlife issues:
- d) Number of trees to be removed:
- e) Other environmental impacts or benefits:
- If new trail or reroute, please describe trail building in as much detail as possible, including desired gradient, bench type, trail width, and other features needed.
   (Diagrams can also be attached but are not required):
- 3. Other project details (volunteer labor, special equipment needed, desired stream crossings (bridge vs. rock crossing, etc.):

#### Section 5: Safety

Describe how user safety will be addressed by this project, and by specific measures implemented in this project:

#### Section 6: Data Sources

Please list the data sources used to develop the proposal





# Part IV: Proposed Designation Breakout Session



## PROPOSED DESIGNATION BREAKOUT

#### **DRAFT MAP REDACTED**



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#### **NEXT STEPS**

- What happens next
  - We take the input we gather today and re-huddle
  - Final system map posted to web site in approximately 4-6 weeks
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- Project proposals accepted following system designation







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