

Folsom State Recreation Area and Folsom State Historic Park Road & Trail Management Plan

Public Meeting 2 | June 8, 2022



DURING THE PRESENTATION

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROJECT?

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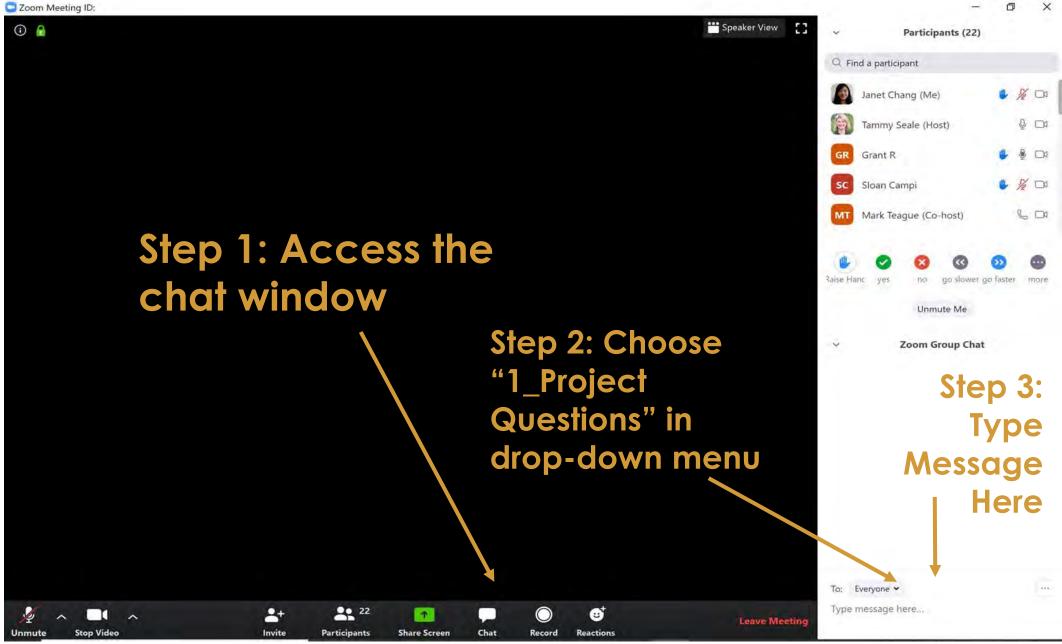
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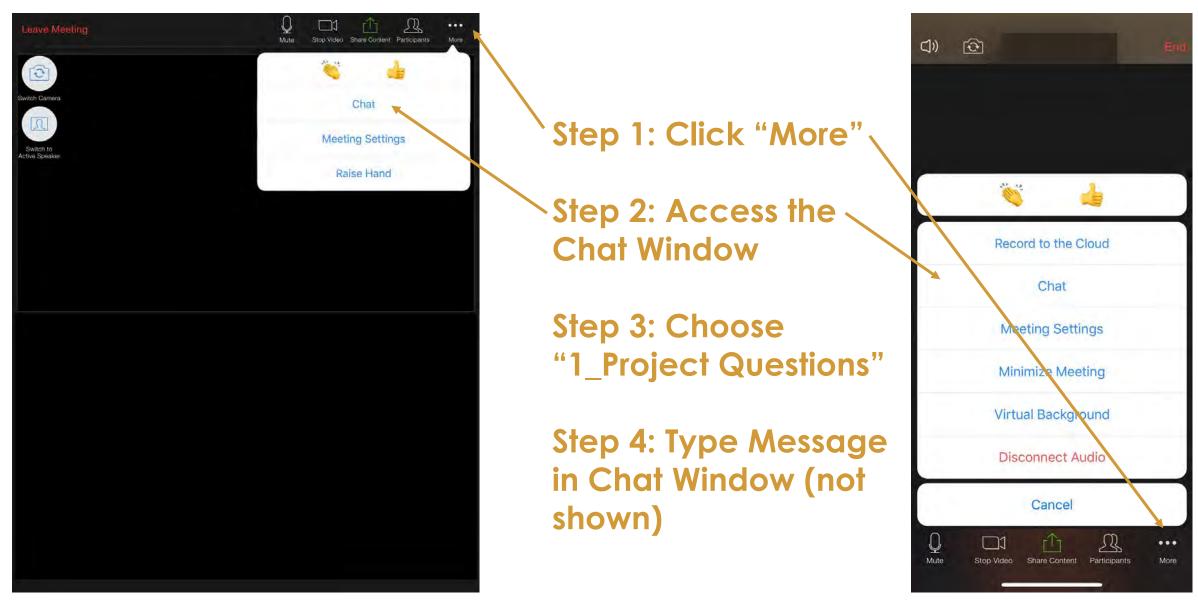
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Welcome and Introductions

Agenda

- » Welcome and Introductions
- » Project Background and Context
- » Brief Review of Plan
 - Parkwide Recommendations
 - Area Recommendations
 - Change-in-Use Recommendations
- » How to Provide Feedback
- » Q&A
- » Spoken Comments
- » Conclusions and Next Steps

Zoom Reminders

- Message "2_Tech Support" for technical assistance
- Send project questions to "1_ProjectQuestions"
- We will respond to as many questions as possible.
- All questions and comments will be documented.



Project Team

DPR Staff:

- » Jason Spann, Associate Landscape Architect
- » Jim Micheaels, Senior Park and Recreation Specialist
- » Rich Preston, Folsom Sector Superintendent
- » Barry Smith, District Superintendent
- » Noelle Breitenbach, Associate Park and Recreation Specialist
- » Erik Taylor, Park and Recreation Specialist

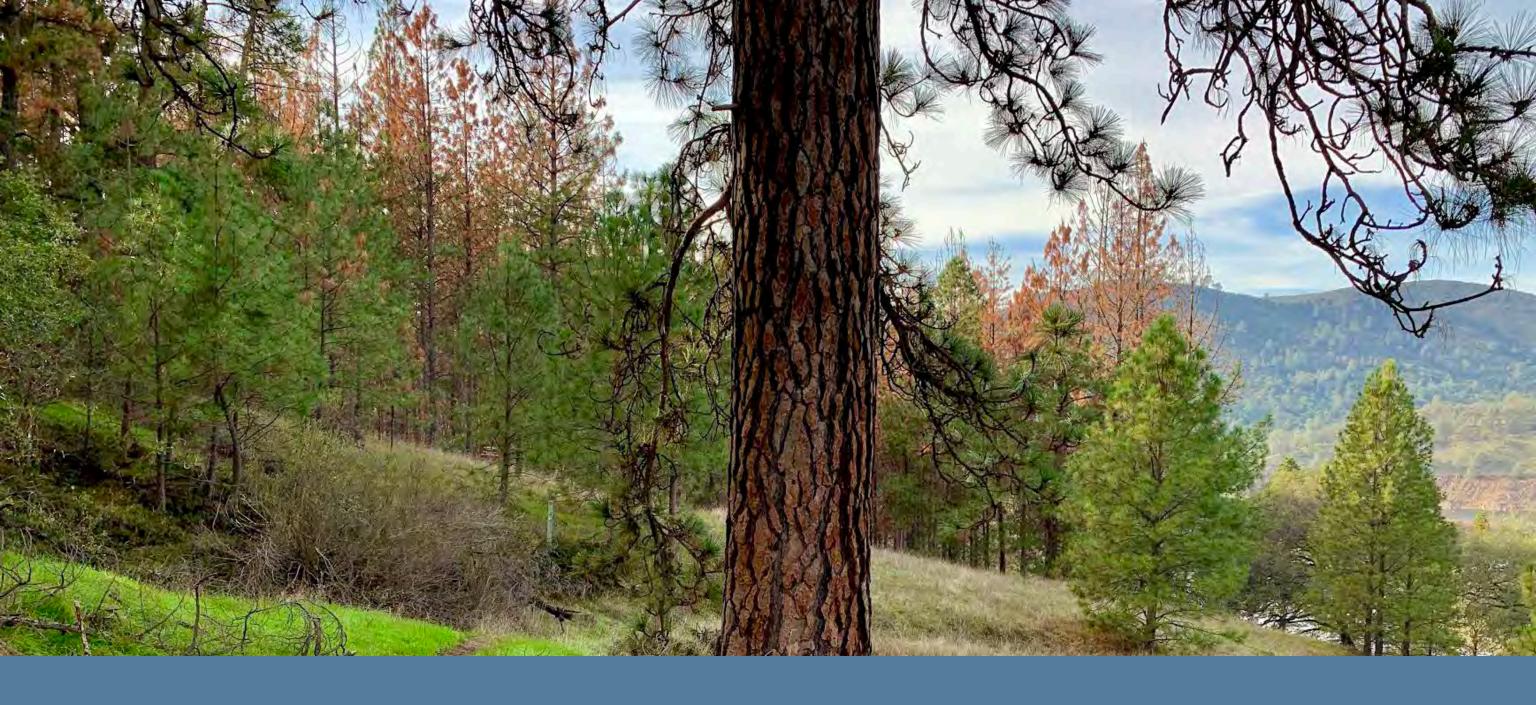
PlaceWorks (Planning Consultant):

- » Isabelle Minn
- » Janet Chang
- » Spence Koehler
- » Giselle Vandrick



Participants... Tell us about yourself!





Project Background and Context

What are the Folsom Sector Parks?

Folsom Lake State Recreation Area

- » 20,000 acres, mostly federal land administered by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
- » Over 2 million visitors annually
- » State Parks managed through a Managing Partner Agreement (MPA)
- » 120 miles of system trails
- » 50+ miles of non-system trails
- » 20 miles of public park roads

Folsom Powerhouse State Historic Park

- 35 acres of State and federal land
- » Preserves and interprets the Folsom Powerhouse
- » Footpaths and trails along canal

Folsom Sector Parks consists of two units:

Folsom Lake State Recreation

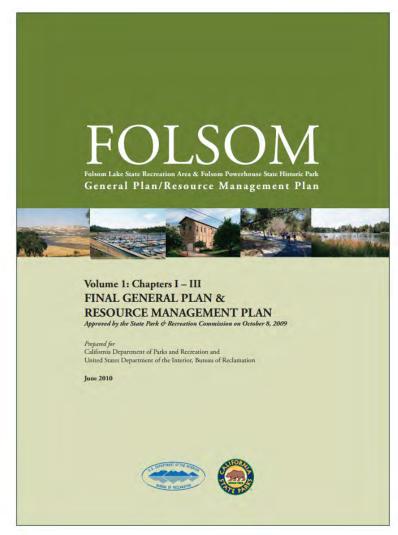
Area (SRA)

Folsom Powerhouse State
Historic Park (SHP)



Folsom Lake SRA and Folsom Powerhouse SHP General Plan and Resource Management Plan

- » Addresses both park units
- » Approved in Fall, 2009
- » Call for completion of a "Trail Master Plan"
- » Provides goals and guidelines for trail management and trail development
 - Paved trail Dike 7 to MIAD
 - Develop trail head access at Dike 7
 - Develop Multi-use trail patrol

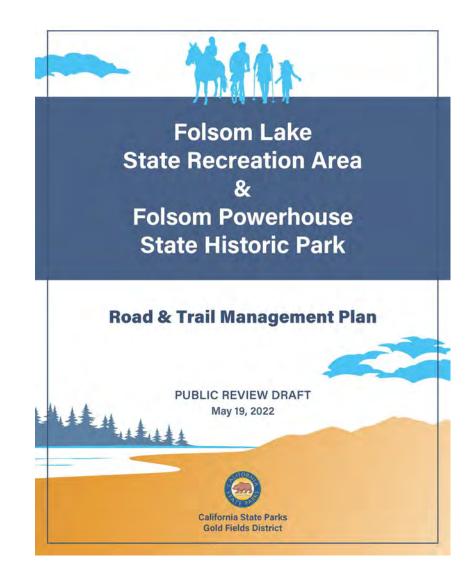




What is a Road and Trail Management Plan (RTMP)?

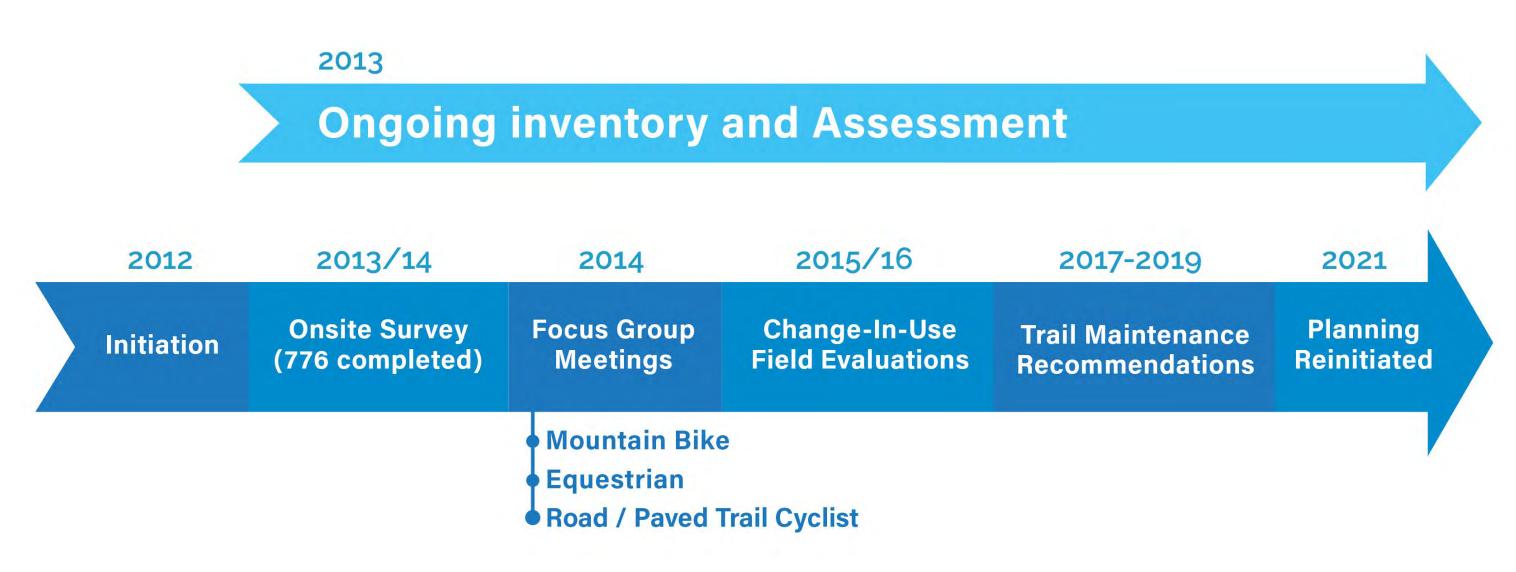
Purpose: Provide specific and detailed management direction for roads and trails within a park unit, guiding the operation, maintenance, and development of the road and trail system.

- » Tiers to the FLSRA/FPSHP General Plan/Resource Management Plan
- » Primarily programmatic-level planning
- » Most planning recommendations will require additional site-specific planning and environmental review
 - Further planning regarding non-system trail networks identified in the RTMP
 - New roads, trails or trailhead facilities identified in Plan
 - Trail modifications required for approved change-in-use requests





What has already been done?





Project Schedule





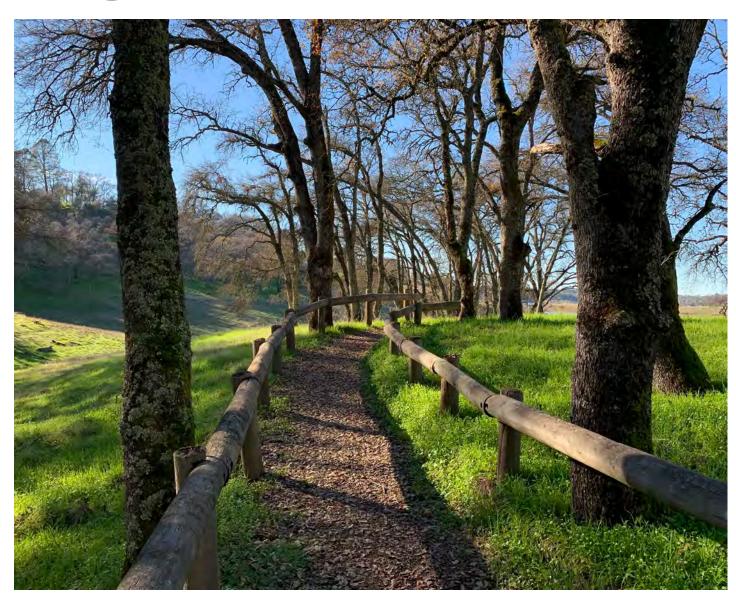


Overview of the Draft Plan

Plan Overview and Organization

» Background

- Introduction
- Planning Process
- Park Conditions
- » Designations and Classifications
- » Best Management Practices
- » The Plan
 - Parkwide Recommendations
 - Area-Specific Recommendations
 - Appendices (including CIU summary)





Parkwide Recommendations

Organized into five categories:

1. Coordination and Collaboration

Example: Develop multi-user volunteer trail patrol

2. Ongoing Planning and Management

 Example: Provide trail system that provides broad public benefit and accommodates a diverse and growing population

3. Planning for New Facilities and Connections

 Example: Explore development of a bicycle skills or technical riding area

4. Design and Maintenance

 Example: Remove and restore non-system trails, unless otherwise identified in RTMP

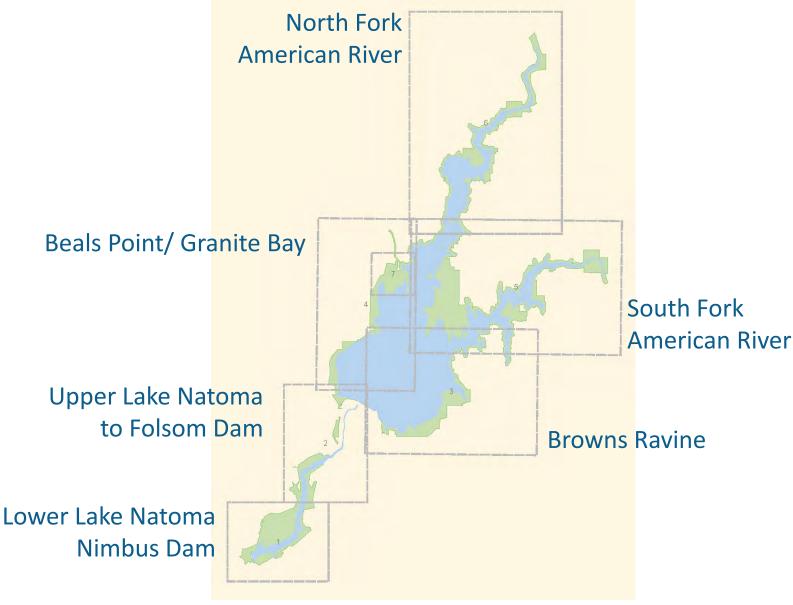
5. Outreach, Education, and Interpretation

 Example: Develop road and trail sign plan to improve wayfinding and interpretation



Area Recommendations

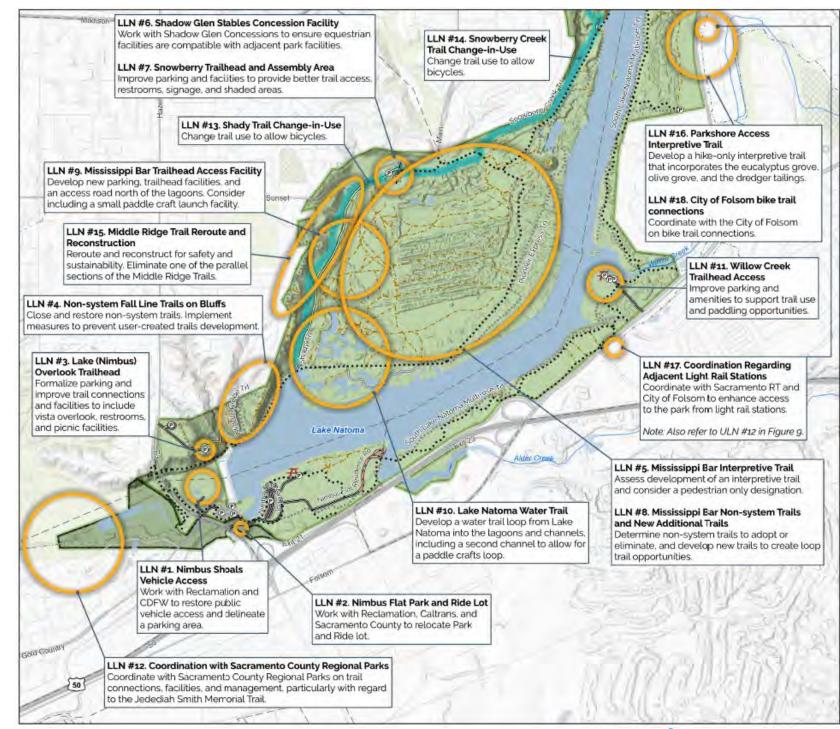
- » The Draft RTMP includes areaspecific recommendations for six areas, including:
 - A brief description of each area
 - Issue statements and planning recommendations
 - Existing Roads and Trails map
 - Maintenance Recommendations map
 - Planning Recommendations map





Lower Lake Natoma

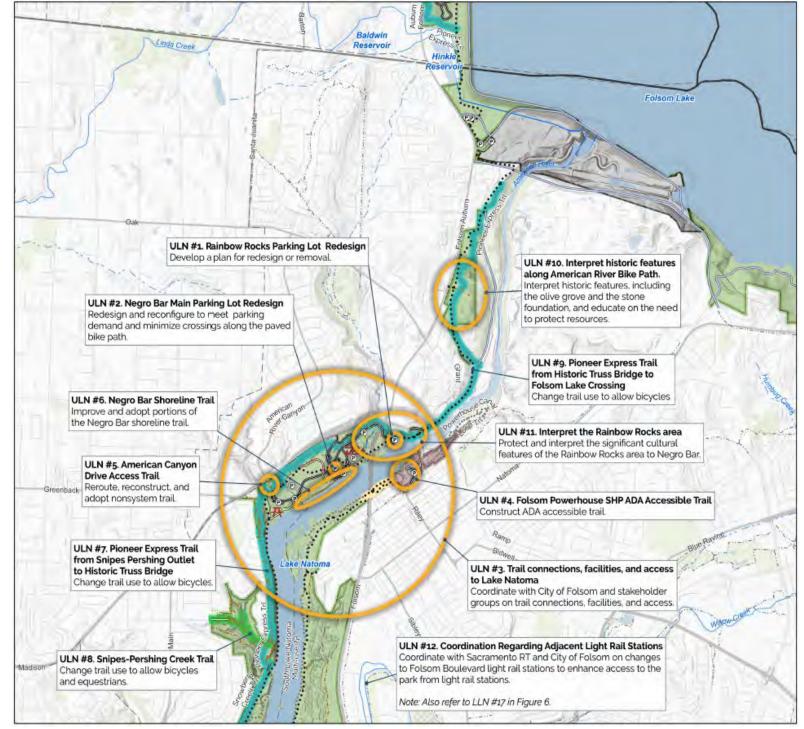
- Improvements to existing trailhead/staging facilities
- Development of a new trailhead and parking facility at Mississippi Bar
- New interpretive trail at Parkshore TH
- Further planning for Mississippi Bar non-system trails
- Lake Natoma Water Trail
- Approval (with conditions) of two change in use requests





Upper Lake Natoma to Folsom Dam

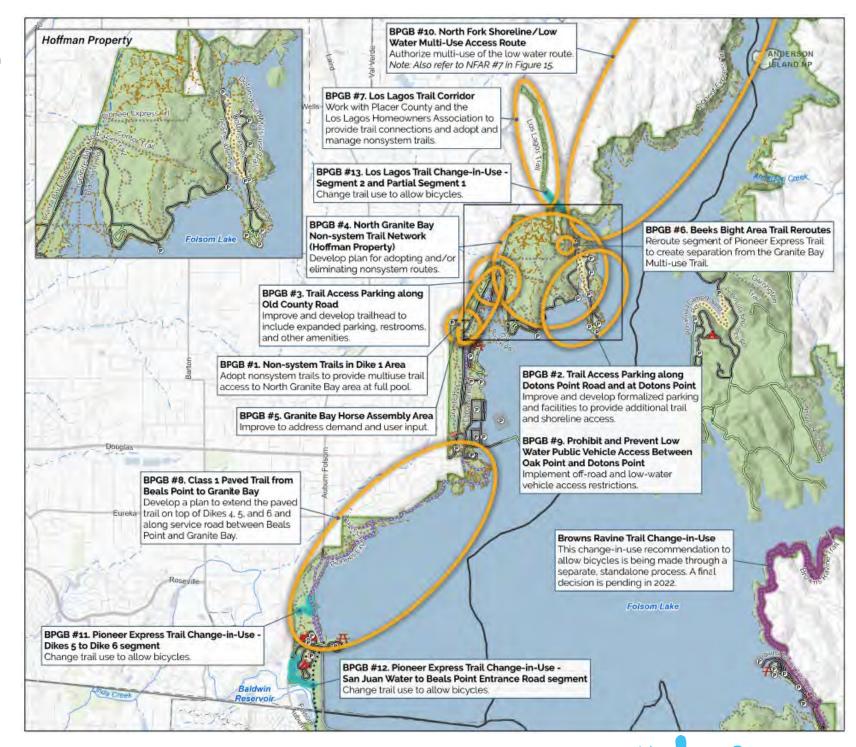
- Improvement and adoption of the Negro Bar Shoreline Trail and American Canyon Dr Access Trail
- Redesign and improvement of existing facilities to improve trailhead access
- Approval (with conditions) of several CIU requests
- New accessible trail at FPSHP





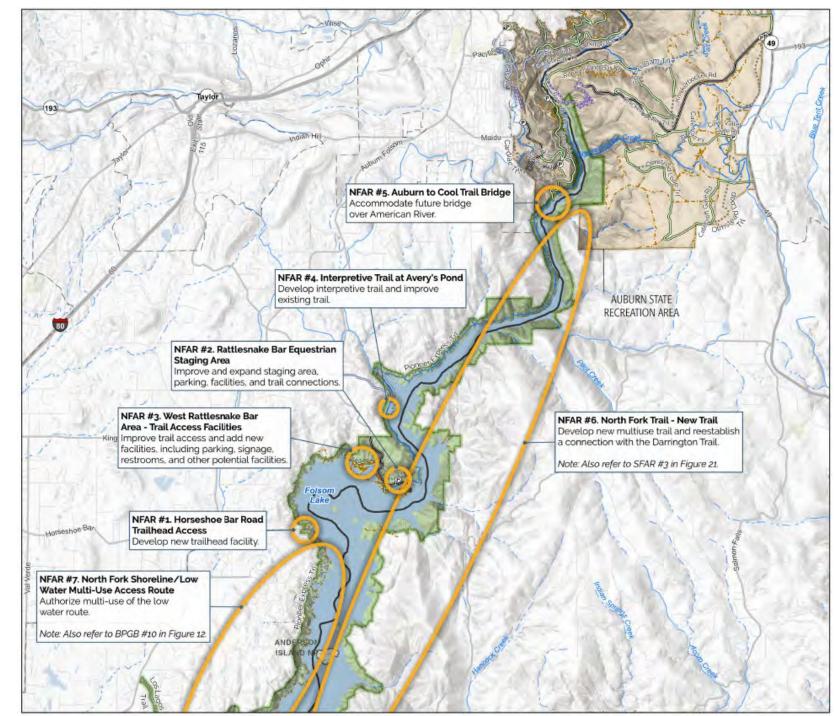
Beals Point / Granite Bay

- Develop plan to extend paved trail from Beals
 Point to Granite Bay
- Further planning for North Granite Bay nonsystem trails
- Improvements to existing trailhead/staging facilities
- Adopt existing non-system shoreline route for multi-use access
- Approval of CIU requests for two short sections of Pioneer Express Trail
- Limit off road vehicle access between Oak Point and Dotons Point



North Fork American River

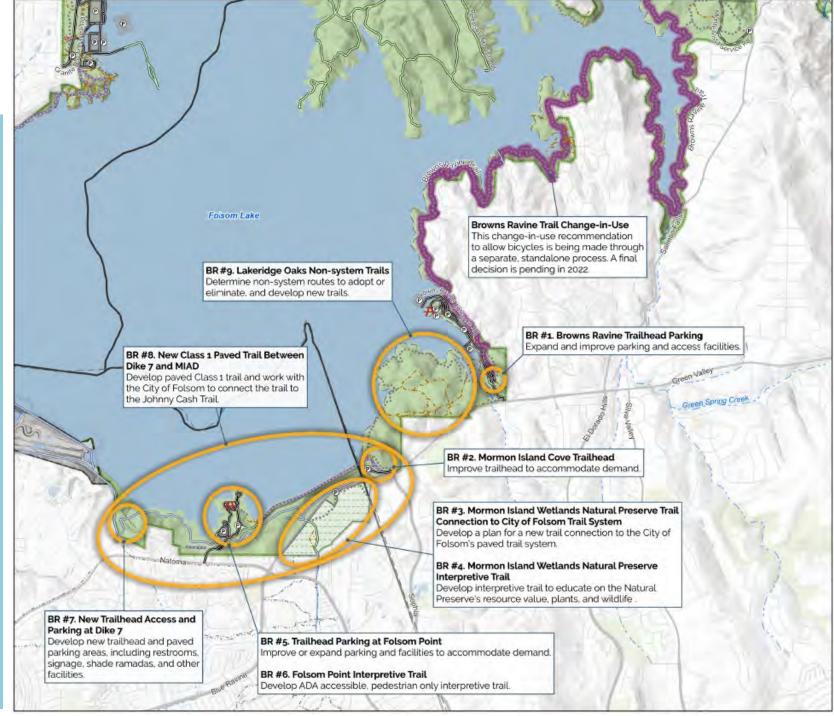
- Develop the North Fork Trail, between Peninsula and ASRA
- Accommodate Auburn to Cool Trail Bridge
- Improve trailhead/staging facilities at Rattlesnake Bar
- New Horseshoe Bar Road trailhead facility
- New interpretive trail at Averys Pond





Browns Ravine

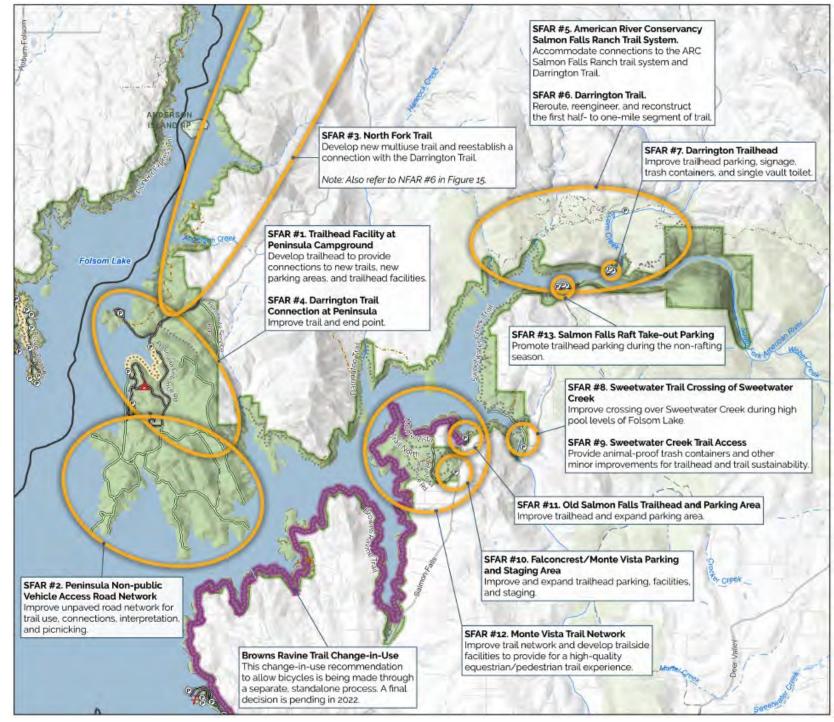
- Class 1 paved trail between Dike 7 and Mormon Island Cove
- New trail access and trailhead facility at Dike
 7
- Improve existing trailhead/staging and parking facilities
- Develop interpretive trails at Mormon Island
 Wetlands and Folsom Point
- Further planning for Lakeridge Oaks nonsystem trails
- Browns Ravine Trail Change-in-Use decision made through separate process





South Fork American River

- Improvements to existing trailhead/staging and parking facilities
- Develop new North Fork Trail, between Peninsula and ASRA
- Improvements to Monte Vista Trails and Sweetwater Trail creek crossing
- Improve unpaved roads at Peninsula to provide better trail experience





Change-In-Use

Overall Approach:

Park unit classification is a State Recreation Area

- » Goals outlined in the General Plan/Resource Management Plan
 - A trail system that provides broad public benefit through diverse trail uses and abilities
 - Consider the recreation needs of growing user population and changes in user demand

- » Balancing these goals
 - Increase single track access for bikes where trail safety and sustainability can be achieved
 - Recognize user desires for different trail experiences, including non-bike trail opportunities
- » Follow Department's CIU Process



Change-In-Use

Change-in-Use Recommendation

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Approve with Conditions

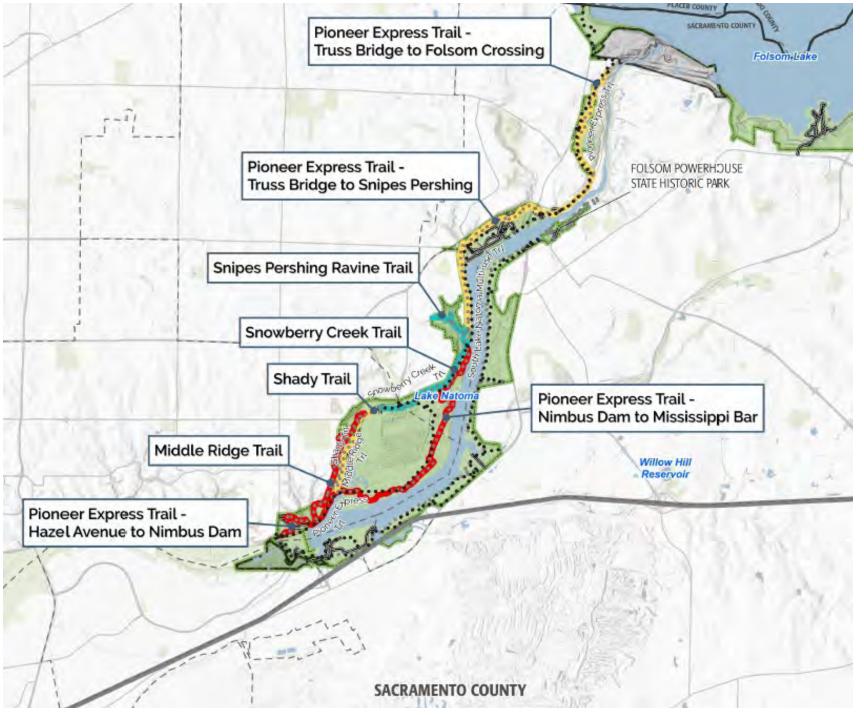
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Change-in-Use Pending

State Park Roads

Paved Park Trails

Unpaved Park Trails





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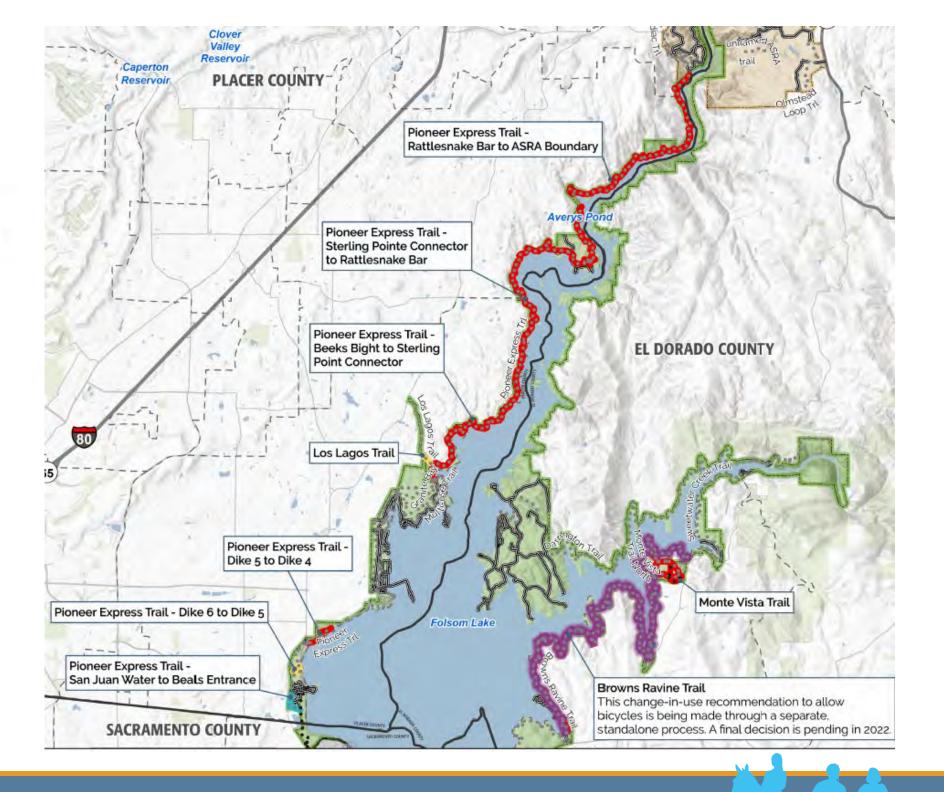
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Share your thoughts on the Draft RTMP!

More Ways to Participate...

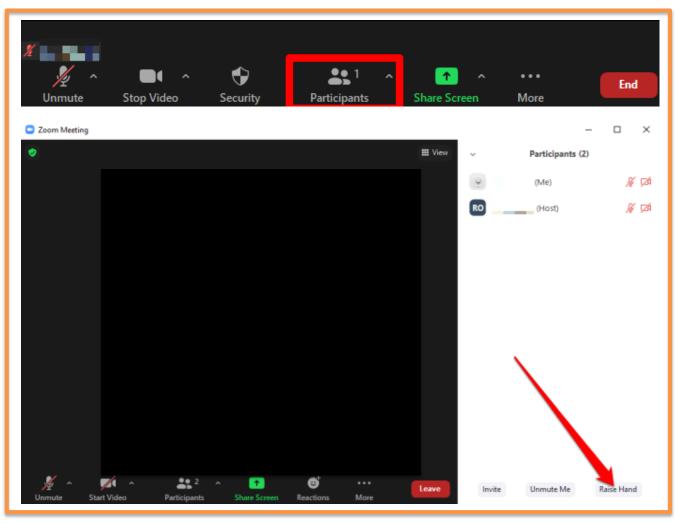
- » Public Commenting Tool: https://www.parks.ca.gov/FolsomRTMP_CommentTool
 - Closes June 22, 2022
- » Verbal Comments (tonight)
- » Email: trails@parks.ca.gov
- » Sign up for the project mailing list on webpage
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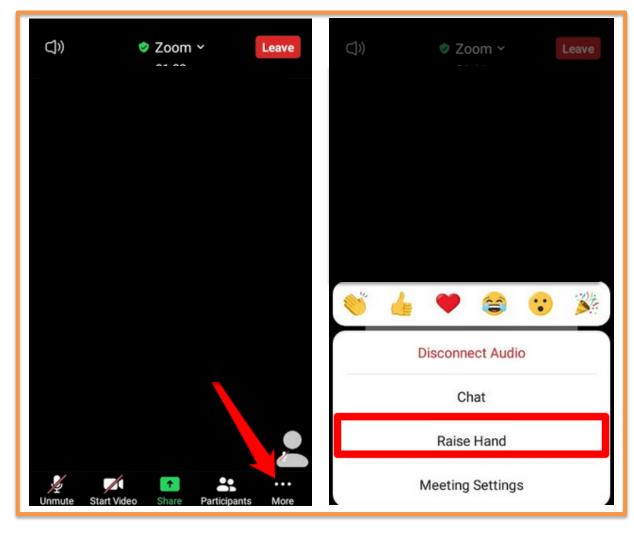


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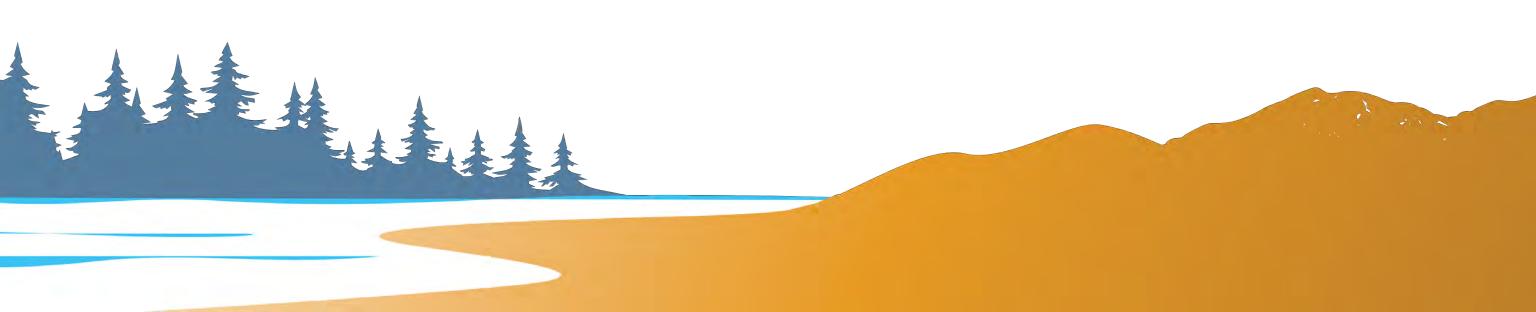
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Conclusions and Next Steps



Next Steps







Thank you!

Questions or comments?

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