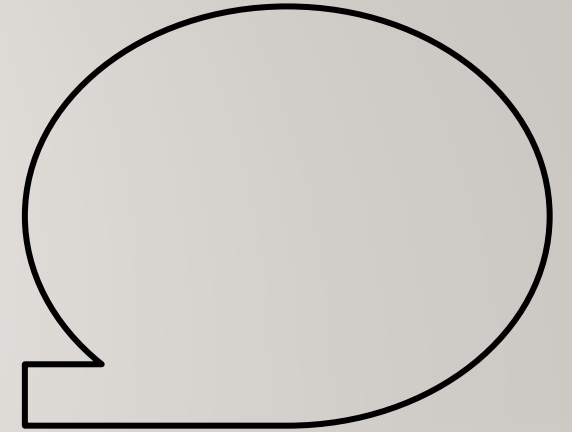
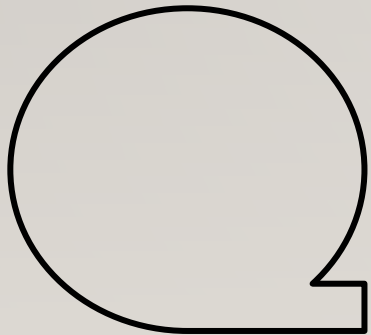


WHAT WE HEARD



Los Alamos County

Trails and Open Space Plan

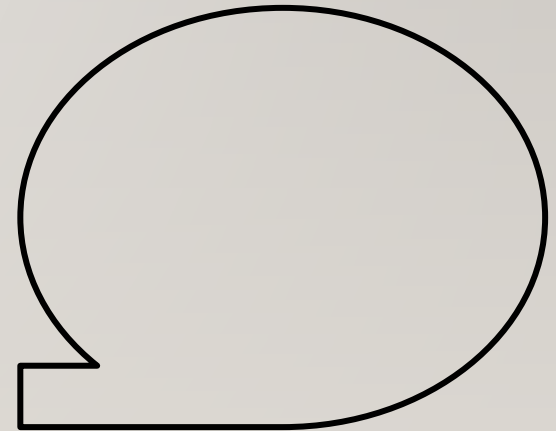


Public Engagement



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- County Project Webpage – Open comment form
- May 21, 2024: In-Person Listening Session
 - 38 sign-ins
- June 1, 2024: Virtual Listening Session
 - 41 sign-ins
- August 29, 2024: In-Person Workshop
 - 52 sign-ins
- Virtual Survey (open 8/29-9/20)



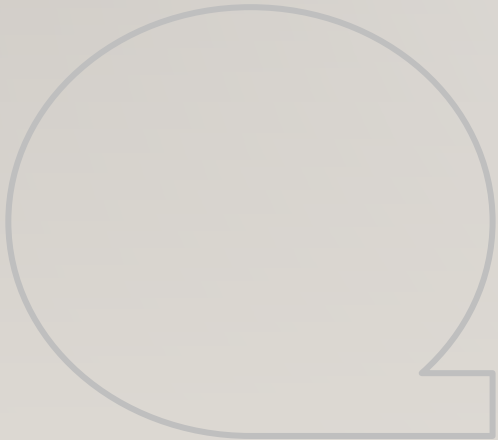
8-29 WORKSHOP

Where were people from?

- West: 8
- San Ildefonso: 2
- White Rock: 6
- North Mesa: 10
- South Mesa: 1
- Barranca Mesa 5
- North Community: 9
- East: 3
- Los Alamos Mesa: 3

How was input collected?

- Surveys (virtual and hard copies)
- Voting activity
- Map comments
- Open format comments



KEY THEMES

Improve trailheads & Review trailhead signage/wayfinding

Trail Maintenance

- better, but still room to improve
- erosion a huge issue
- get all user groups involved

Open Space Amenities Maintenance – disc golf courses

Education on trail etiquette, conservation, trespassing

- Remove social trails
- Improve interactions between user groups

More beginner/intermediate trails for mountain biking

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Protect open space and sensitive plant/animal habitats

Preserve historic trails and cultural sites

Regional coordination (Forest Service, LANL, San Ildefonso)

Increased accessibility (not necessarily paved)

Safety – road crossings

No new development

Trailhead improvements

Safety – road crossings



8-29 WORKSHOP

Diamond Dr – Safety concerns with crossing
Graduation Canyon – Signage/Maintenance needed
Homestead Crossing – Maintenance
Kwage Mesa – User conflict
Pueblo Canyon – No new development
Quemazon Trail – Maintenance
Red Dot TH – Improvements needed
Tent Rock Trail – Maintenance
Tunnel – Safety concern for equestrians
San Ildefonso – Trespassing concerns
Bayo Canyon TH – Improvements needed



Open comment - Multiple Mentions

SURVEY RESULTS

Trailhead	Ranking
Bayo Canyon/ San Ildefonso roundabout	1
Quemazon/ 48 th St	2
Kwage Mesa/ N. Mesa Park Rd	3
Mitchell Trail/ Arizona Ave	4
Red Dot/ Piedra Loop	4
Acid Canyon/ Aquatics Center	5
Deer Trap Mesa/ Barranca Rd	6

Which trailhead needs to be improved most?



SURVEY RESULTS

Amenity	Ranking
Restroom	1
Dog Waste Station/Trash Can	2
Water Fountain	3
Horse Trailer Parking	4
Paved Parking	5
Bike Tools	6

What are your highest priorities for trailhead amenities?



SURVEY RESULTS

Proposed Extension	Votes
Perimeter Connectors	12
Canyon Rim Trail Extension (to 15th St)	9
Otowi-Deer Trap-Kwage Mesa Connectors	9
Walnut Canyon to Walnut Rim	8
Quemazon Stacked Loop	7
Rendija Canyon Addition	6
Pueblo Canyon Trail Extension	5
Connect White Rock River Trail to Rio Grande Trail	5
White Rock Loop	1
Urban Multi-Use Trail (North to South)	1

Which trail extension would you use?



SURVEY RESULTS

Amenity	Ranking
Flow Trail	1
Cross-Country Trail Loop	2
Jump Park (progressive levels)	3
Bike skills park (progressive levels)	3
Pump Track	4

Which bike amenity would you use most?



SURVEY RESULTS

Amenity	Votes
Kwage Mesa Trail	6
Kinnikinnik Park Trail	6
Graduation Canyon Trail	4
Kwage Mesa Utilities Rd	4
White Rock Canyon Rim	4
Trail alongside Overlook Rd	3
North Bayo Bench	2
Other	1

Vote for future accessible trails



VOTE WITH YOUR \$

Category	Votes
Existing Open Space Maintenance (Habitat restoration, wildfire prevention, erosion control)	58
Existing Trail Maintenance (Removal of social trails, erosion control, vegetation trimming, wayfinding)	43
Preservation of Historic Trails & Cultural Sites	36
Bike-Specific Amenities (designed for a variety of skill levels with more attention to beginners)	25
Equestrian Access & Improvements (regrading of trails, trailer parking)	14
New Trails & Trail Connections	10
Improving Amenities at Existing Trailheads	9
New Open Space Amenities	2
New Trailheads	2

Vote for future accessible trails



Concerns / Recommendations

- Mfbs making lots of extra trails, widening trails, etc to make things more fun - contributes to erosion, vegetation loss, etc.
 - > Minimize infrastructure impacts on open space
 - > take care of what you have **FIRST!**
 - Ignoring the existing Master Plan
 - Don't encroach on Open Space
 - Too Much emphasis on Mfbs
- Plan needs to mention protection and conservation of open space, not just development
- ~~Protect~~ Protect wildlife passage ways.

